

OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763) Date 12/3/58

FROM: SA W. JAMES WOOD

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT CP, USA  
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| [redacted] who District Council 11/26/58 writer [redacted]<br>has furnished meeting 11/23/58<br>reliable infor-<br>mation in the<br>past and whose<br>identity should<br>be concealed |  |  |  |  |
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On 11/26/58 informant furnished the following written report, dated 11/23/58 to Agent:

"I attended a meeting of the Southern California District Council, C.P. which met on Sunday, Nov. 23, 1958 from 10: A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at 607 South Western Ave. There were approximately 39 persons present; the names of those I knew are as follows:

DOROTHY HEALEY (White woman)

cc: [redacted]

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| DOROTHY FORREST,        | (White Woman) |                      |
| ELSIE MONJOL,           | " "           |                      |
| CHICKIE (RUTH) UTRECHT, | " "           |                      |
| SOPHIE SILVER,          | " "           |                      |
| NAN BLAIR,              | " "           |                      |
| IRENE MANDEL,           | " "           |                      |
| REVA ZWOLINSKI,         | " "           |                      |
| SADIE DOROSHKIN         | " "           |                      |
| ALICE SPARKS,           | " "           |                      |
| LIL _____?              | " "           | of San Diego, Calif. |
| ANITA ROSTODHA          | (Negro " )    |                      |
| HORACE ALEXANDER        | ( " man )     |                      |
| CLARENCE YOUNG,         | " "           |                      |
| SOL MONJOL,             | (Mexican " )  |                      |
| BEN DOBBS               | (White man)   |                      |
| HARRY HUNT,             | " "           |                      |
| HENRY SAZIER            | " "           |                      |
| WALLY TABBOT,           | " "           |                      |
| BERNIE LUSHER           | " "           |                      |
| NEMMY SPARKS            | " "           |                      |
| A.C. ROGERS,            | " "           |                      |
| HOWARD LOUCKS           | " "           |                      |
| BERT _____?             | " "           |                      |
| DAN COHEN,              | " "           |                      |
| CHARLIE SCHWARTZ,       | " "           |                      |
| HARRY _____?            | " "           |                      |
| SLIM CONNELLY           | " "           | About age 60         |
| CAL GOODMAN             | " "           |                      |
| JIM FORREST             | " "           |                      |
| ERVE SNIDER,            | " "           |                      |

"The other persons whose names I do not know; ere 3 white women & the others, white men: One of the white women was from San Diego, Calif. She is fat; about 5ft.4ins. black hair; age, about 45.

"The meeting was conducted by DOROTHY HEALEY, the chairman of the Southern Calif. District, C.P.

"DOROTHY FORREST, made a report on the activities of the 'American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California; to eliminate the Committee on Un-American Activities.

"Petitions were issued in the District Council, C.P. to be circulated in the Community for signatures to eliminate the committees on Un-American Activities. DOROTHY FORREST

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stated that; there should be a special concentration around the Negro churches & ministers, on the circulation of the petitions against the Committee on Un-American Activities; she stated that special letters were being mailed to the church ministers by the American Civil Liberties Union, asking that they participate in the circulation of the petitions, in view of the fact of what's happening in the South, in terms of churches being bombed; ministers being beaten & killed; Negro people denied their civil rights and are being intimidated by white mob violence; still the 'Un-American Activities Committee', does not investigate these vicious Un-American Activities:

"DOROTHY FORREST, stated that, not only should the Negro churches be a special concentration point, but all other Negro mass organizations should be contacted; and also Jewish Synagogues, in view of the recent bombings of Jewish Synagogues in the South, and the persecution of Jewish people as a whole'.

"A brief discussion followed DOROTHY FORREST's report; the results are that all sections of the California District, C.P. be urged to mobilize immediately on the circulation of the petitions to eliminate the committee on Un-American Activities.

"The next & key point on the agenda was a report on the estimation of the recent 1958 Political Election, by NEMMY SPARKS; director of Legislation of the Southern Calif. District, C.P.; he stated the following:

"There is a need to discuss the meaning of the feeling of victory in terms of the Democratic Party victory in the Political Elections: It means that peoples are moving unitedly on their common problems etc., and that congress will meet in January, 1959 without the four most outstanding reactionaries in the country; the ex-Senator KNOWLAND, etc. The California Election of a Democrat-Slate, means a slim chance of the Vice President NIXON's, ever getting an election of U.S. President: This was a great people's victory on issues that dominate the life of peoples at all times; so stated NEMMY SPARKS; he further stated in his report, that the people were thoroughly disgusted with the Republicans position in terms of their naked campaign of open shop against organized labor; and the Republican Party's refusal to support the gains of the Negro people's liberation.; KNOWLAND's strategy of splitting Negro & Labor Alliance was also defeated: Labor has not fulfilled its

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side of this alliance; but this will be brought to bare.

"NEMMY SPARK's report stated that, the American people want no more of the EISENHOWER policies; a fight shoulder to shoulder with Negro people & Labor and other minority groups, is what the peoples of America want. The gerrymandering of Districts, designed to split Negro & Mexican-American votes, must be gotten rid of; this is a major role of the task of the C.P. in order to have full Negro Representation; the CD re-Districting must be kept in the minds of the people, the issue must be constantly played up:

"NEMMY SPARKS's, report was very lengthy; and inclined such proposals as:

"The cleaning out of Dixiecrats, for complete Labor & Negro Alliance; abolish the Un-American Activities Committee; abolish Filibustering in the Senate; and abolish reactionaries in high government places, in order to have a complete peoples victory. Campaign against high taxes; and increased Burdens on the people: Let the oil companies & other big monopoly Industries pay their just Taxes; this is where it belongs; so stated NEMMY SPARKS in his report on Legislation.

"A lengthy discussion followed NEMMY SPARK's report. Some in partial agreement: Some criticisms were directed against the C.P. by some of those who participated in the discussion, in terms of the C.P. not fully injecting itself in the struggles, and failing to strengthen the C.P. movement in the Negro Community in the support of CRIPUS WRIGHT's candidacy for Congress:

"There was an urgency to educate the struggles for realliance of the C.P. with the Negro people, the Mexican people & other minority groups."

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#### ACTION

On the basis of descriptive data available to informant, it is not at this time possible to identify the [ ] mentioned by informant. She will, however, make every effort to ascertain his identity, and will advise this office if successful.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.



OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55452)

DATE: 12/4/58

FROM : SA ROBERT H. CLAUDIUS

SUBJECT: ECHO PARK CLUB (C)  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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12-21-81  
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| Source                                                                                           | Activity | Received         | Agent                                     | Location   |
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be concealed | 11/12/58 | 11/28/58         | [redacted]<br>to [redacted]<br>[redacted] | [redacted] |
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The report of the above informant, a carbon copy of a report of one of the operators of [redacted] known to this office as [redacted] is substantially as follows: This informant is not personally contacted by agent personnel; therefore, problems of identity must be resolved through [redacted] b7D (C)

On 11/12/58, a meeting of the Juan Gomez Club, Echo Park Section, SCD CP, was held at [redacted] Los Angeles. The following persons were reported in attendance: [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

cc: [redacted]

[redacted] (SI) b7D  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
100-38920 (R EPSTEIN) (SI)  
100-23420 [redacted] (SI)  
100-20483 (A. GOLDBERG) (SI) b6  
100-14370 (F. SIMMEL) (SI) b7C  
100-17219 (W. SIMMEL) (SI)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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"Attention was directed to petitions to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities. [ ] called for full participation in obtaining signatures. He added that union activity could be developed around the petitions because well known union officers have signed. (C)

[ ] stated that the pastor of her church [ ] has signed the petition and that activity is being carried on around the church. (C)

"The petitions, issued by the American Civil Liberties Union of So. California, are to be returned by December 15th. (C)

"Concentration on the 'People's World' Bazaar is necessary, [ ] urged, because the district has not achieved its quota for the fund drive. Although the Club and Section have reached their quotas and have gone over the top, help must be given to insure success of the paper. Election of a new press director for the Club will be held at a later meeting so that more members may participate. (C)

"Members who do not attend meetings were attacked by [ ] He stated that something must be done to make these Comrades responsible. Mentioned were RINA EPSTEIN, [ ] and ABE GOLDBERG. FRITZ and WILMINA SIMMEL are also club members who have not attended meetings lately. (C)

"Important points of the article by JAMES ALLEN in the October, 1958 issue of 'Political Affairs' were outlined by [ ] From the article, 'Key Elements of Party Program,' [ ] emphasized the need for a definition of socialism. She stated the 'essential elements' as stated by ALLEN (page 43) and added that there could be some argument over some of the elements. As a possible point for pre-convention discussion, [ ] suggested the question of peaceful transition to socialism, and stated the requirements as stated by ALLEN, (Page 48). (C)

[ ] stated that the present problem is to convince the worker of the need for socialism. It is not a present problem to consider how the transition to socialism will take place in America. (C)

[ ] pointed out that when the time comes, the workers will demand a change. (C)

"Further discussion of the article will be held after everyone has read it. (C)

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ACTION: All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-2)

12/12/58

SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

HYMAN LIPSHUTZ  
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On 11/18/58 [redacted] advised SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON that HYMAN LIPSHUTZ is employed by the Westchester High School in connection with its Student Driver Training Program. He resides at 986 Vernon Avenue, Venice, California, phone EX 91805. b7D

Informant stated that LIPSHUTZ had been circulating a petition sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union calling for the abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, and wondered whether or not he was a communist. A search of all the Office indices failed to turn up any information identifiable with the subject.

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cc: [redacted]

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55452)

DATE: 12/10/58

FROM : SA [REDACTED] b6

SUBJECT: [ECHO PARK SECTION] (C) b7C  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
IS - C

12-21-81  
CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383-UC/10/11  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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| [REDACTED]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be concealed | 11/26/58 | 12/5/58  | Writer | [REDACTED] |

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Informant's report is as follows: (C)

"Nov. 29, 1958 (C) b7D

"On evening of Nov. 26, 1958, writer attended the regular weekly meeting of Juan Gomez Club, Echo Park Section, S.C. Dist., CP USA, held at [REDACTED] Los Angeles, Calif. (C)

cc: [REDACTED] (SI) b7D  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
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[REDACTED] (SI)  
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100-31698 (F. PADILLA) (SI)  
100-4486 (D. HEALEY) (SI)  
100-4663 (B. DOBBS) (SI)  
100-52571 (C. MITCHELL) (SI)  
100-14370 (F. SIMMEL) (SI)  
100-23488 (FUNDS)  
97-16 (PW)  
100-41016 (ACLU)  
100-25365 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)  
62-1664 (HCUA)

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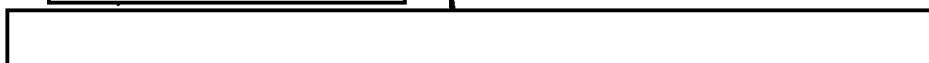
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"Attending were: (c)

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PADILLA who was ill. (c)

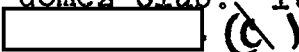
(c) stated the S.C. Dist. must have some money right away. They are now in debt \$2000., and would like to raise an additional \$2000, to keep going for a while. No quota has been set for clubs or members, but comrades must start thinking of how can be raised; and (c) suggested it be raised before the early spring PW Drive begins. (c) stated that the Dist. records are in bad shape; but they are collecting about \$297.00 per month on sustainers in the Dist. Of this money, the Juan Gomez Club is collecting about \$28. per mo. (c) spoke of having a breakfast at their place-- have always been able to raise about \$75. on these breakfasts in the past. (c)

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(c) said they have (c) in the District-- 'DOROTHY (HEALEY), (c) (BEN DOBBS) and CHARLENE (MITCHELL)', and it had been voted down at a previous time to cut down on this number. He also stated that it has been decided that the PW meetings in future would bypass the Section and be held as District meetings on a monthly basis. (c)

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(c) also said that in view of his extra work on 'this District Org.' work he would have to resign as PW director of Juan Gomez Club. It was decided that (c) would attempt (c)



(c) stated that in the past the 'District' was getting in \$3000 per mp. in sustainers, whereas now it has been going down to the above stated amount of approx. \$297. per mo. He also stated that now the District membership is somewhere between 450 and 600 members. (c) stated that the Section membership is now about 50. (c)

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(c) reported she had attended a Section meeting one night during the past week. She discussed only one point that had been brought up at the Sec. meeting. This concerned two members of the Geronimo Club who have been causing much disruption in the Club to the dissatisfaction of the entire club membership. One member 'who is an old CP member' has sent in written resignation. One man is threatening to request a transfer. Another woman says if he transfers she will also. Someone at the Sec. mtg. suggested that (c)

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"they be allowed to transfer if they wished. [ ] did not agree with this. [ ] thought it OK for them to transfer if they wished. The name [ ] was mentioned by [ ] and at first this writer believed it was she who resigned, but from later conversation this seemed to be an incorrect conclusion. No other names were mentioned--purposely--by [ ] for she thought names were unnecessary. Juan Gomez Club decided this is not now a Club problem, but a Section one; and should be put aside unless the time comes when a transfer from the Geronimo Club might be requested or made. (C)

[ ] said the ACLU had contacted the CP asking for their aid getting petitions signed for the elimination of the Un-American Activities Comm. Petitions were given [ ] and [ ] who were to contact the minister of a colored church on E. 43rd St. to see if they could be in front of the church the following Sunday to get signatures; and request the minister to be so kind as to mention this during the church session. [ ] and [ ] were to say they represent the ACLU. All signed petitions to be turned over to J. ROOSEVELT Dec. 15th. (C)

[ ] on Labor said the Club should study and discuss the present status of Labor in California -- emphasis on comparison of the CP Labor Statement, the 10 Point AFL-CIO Labor program, and Gov. - elect BROWN's program for state legislation. This study to be broadened by having open forum meetings in the section for the public. (C)

"The study of the labor question in the Club is to be put off for a couple weeks until comrades have time to study the JAMES JACKSON statement on the Negro Question. Three copies of this paper were distributed in the club--this writer getting one copy for a week, then give it to another member. This paper is supposed to enlarge upon his Oct. 'Political Affairs' article on same subject. Letter accompanying the paper said more will be coming on the same subject. (C)

"Next meeting to be at FRITZ SIMMEL's Dec. 3rd." (C)

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55462)

DATE: 12/16/58

FROM : SA MERLE L. PARKER

SUBJECT: [COMPTON WATTS SECTION] (C)  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 UPT/ck  
REASON-FCIM 11, 1-2.4.2  
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be concealed | 12/3/58, mtg. of the Compton CP Club.<br>b6<br>b7C<br>b7D | 12/8/58  | Writer | [redacted] (C) |

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
SLIP(S) OF Classification  
DATE 2/21/78 JSP/rss

This report was received via mail by the writer on 12/8/58. Report reads as follows: (C)

"December 4, 1958 (C)

"On the evening of December 3, 1958, at the home of [redacted] California, I attended a meeting of a club of the Communist Party. (C)

"Present were the following: [redacted]

Calif.; [redacted] (C)

cc: [redacted]

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[ ] briefly discussed the JACKSON Report distributed petitions to Southern California representatives in the Congress of the United States, and sold NAACP Christmas seals. The petitions urged the elimination of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. At the bottom of the petitions was printed the following: (C)

"American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California,  
2863 West Ninth Street, Los Angeles 6, California" (C)

"The recent national elections were discussed." (C)

"Plans were made for an organizational meeting to be held on the evening of December 10, 1958, at the home of [ ]  
[ ] California." (C)

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763) DATE: 12/11/58

FROM : SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

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On 12/1/58 [redacted] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with a report which was taken in dictation by Stenographer [redacted]. Upon transcription of the report informant reviewed and initialed it on 12/9/58. The report is as follows:

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"December 1, 1958

"Meeting of the District Council,  
Southern California District,  
Communist Party - USA, held on  
November 23, 1958 at the Park Manor,  
607 South Western, Los Angeles,  
beginning at 10:00 a.m.

"The agenda included three points, as announced  
by DOROTHY HEALEY:

"(1) A special report by DOROTHY FOREST on the  
campaign to abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee.

"(2) The main report by NEMMY SPARKS -- an analysis  
of the election campaign.

"(3) A brief emergency report on the 'People's World'  
Bazaar.

"DOROTHY FOREST announced the campaign on the  
abolition of the House Un-American Activities Committee,  
characterizing the HUAC as political cholera, with the Watkins  
Decision the most valuable antidote. She said the ACLU in  
California is initiating a petition campaign demanding  
abolition of the Un-American Activities Committee, with the  
petitions to be presented to the California Congressman,  
Representative ROOSEVELT, in time for the opening of Congress  
in January.

"She cited the value of the Democratic sweep in  
California in the recent elections as key in the success of  
the petition campaign. Also, as favorable additional material,  
she cited the statement of the Negro leaders in the South  
against the House Un-American Activities Committee, the  
statement of the clergy, and other documents.

"She said that this is the first example of the ACLU  
in sponsoring a mass petition drive. The deadline for petitions  
to be returned is January 9, 1959. On united front aspects  
of the campaign, she named participation of the National  
Council of Christians and Jews, the endorsement of JOHN  
ANSON FORD, whom she claimed had phoned the printer the  
night before the petitions were printed insisting that his

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name be added to the sponsors' list, the Women's Legislative Conference, and the Communist Party. She urged participation of the Party as a means of implementing the District Council resolution against the Un-American Activities Committee passed several months ago.

"She emphasized there are only twenty days left to get signatures and urged that special concentration be made in the Congressional Districts of HOLLIFIELD and ROOSEVELT. She urged street corner collection of signatures, house-to-house, etc., and announced that the joint committee of the ACLU and the Committee to Preserve Constitutional Freedoms had assigned the Communist Party special responsibility to cover all Negro churches in the area. She urged that all sections and clubs guarantee the collection of signatures at the churches on November 30 and December 6.

"She announced that the comrades in the 57th had turned in a donation of \$5 toward the campaign. She said that all petitions should be in by the 15th of January, but would not be worthless if they were not turned in later than that date.

"BERNIE LUSHER urged that the campaign be more specifically organized, especially in regard to which section should concentrate where around the Negro churches. As an alternative proposal, he urged that sections take specific mass organizations for concentration or shop gate and trade union concentrations.

"SOPHIE SILVER urged that specific quotas of signatures be assigned to the sections.

"BERT DUGDALE urged concentration for the next two Sundays on Negro churches as recommended in the report.

"DOROTHY HEALEY stated that certain recommendations were being made by the Board for concentration. The 46th and Watts Compton should concentrate on Watts churches; Orange County should join the Harbor on the Long Beach churches, etc.

"CAL GOODMAN urged that, in addition to the Negro churches, there be specific concentration on key areas.

"CLARENCE YOUNG urged special trade union work, especially by those who had been subpoenaed by the Un-American Activities Committee at its last hearing in Los Angeles. He outlined some experiences he had had in his own union.

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"DOROTHY FOREST then stated that the ACLU would send a letter to all the churches informing the ministers that signature collectors would be at the church the following Sunday and requesting their cooperation.

"CHARLIE SCHWARTZ urged that collection of signatures not be limited to the churches.

"HARRY HUNT urged that special collections be made in the trade unions, and spoke on the support of CLARK and POSNER to the ACLU campaign.

"IRENE MANDEL urged that the Negro churches be given a chance to get their own people to do the job and that our people merely supplement their work. She also urged that special work on this campaign be done in Democratic Party clubs in line with the resolution passed by the Democratic Fresno Conference to abolish the Un-American Activities Committee.

"DOROTHY HEALEY mentioned a book called 'The Ninth Wave' which she said is an analysis of California politics in which the statement is made that 3,000 Communist Party members is equal to 30,000 votes in California. She urged that this thesis be put into life by the participation of the Party in this campaign.

"A. C. ROGERS inquired what provision had been made for the participation of the isolated areas such as San Bernardino, San Diego, and Santa Barbara.

"DOROTHY HEALEY urged that they do community concentration work in those areas.

[redacted] (last name unknown) inquired what churches in Boyle Heights should be covered.

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"In conclusion, DOROTHY FOREST urged that petitions be turned in, not directly to the ACLU or to the Committee to Preserve Constitutional Freedoms but to Section Organizers or to District Board members.

"The next point was the election campaign report by NEMMY SPARKS. SPARKS characterized the November elections in California as a people's victory. He said the people moved politically in their own interests in a united way. This victory, however, was not an ultimate victory but a victory

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in relation to what was possible under these conditions at this time.

"He said the next Congress would be very different from the last in that there would be no KNOWLAND, no JENNER, no BRICKER, and no MALONE. The 1960 Presidential chances of KNOWLAND have been ruined and NIXON's chances are damaged.

"The defeat of Proposition 18 was a major contribution to the people's victory. The elimination of the Republican administration in California was another victory. This election broke the Republican stranglehold on the California legislature for the first time in many, many years.

"In Southern California, the Republicans lost the 25th Congressional District, which is especially significant since this is NIXON's home district. The Democrats gained representation in the 42nd, 45th, 47th, and 50th. San Diego for the first time will be represented by a Democrat. There was a similar victory in the California Senate.

"Nationally, GOLDWATER was re-elected in Arizona.

"On the other side of the ledger, the defeat of ROYBAL and LOPEZ weakened the election victory.

"In summarizing the significance of the election, he said there are many different points of view in the left. HALLINAN, speaking pretty much in the line of the SWP, states that the election shows no significant gains for the working class. Our Party characterizes the election as a victory. In bourgeois circles, NIXON dismisses the whole election on the basis that the Democrats won because they worked hardest. ROBERT G. NEWMAN, in the 'Los Angeles Times,' stated that the only reason the Democrats won was that the Republicans lack inspiring leadership. LIPMAN, a columnist, stated there were no clearly cut issues in the election.

"The important thing, SPARKS said, is to understand that this great people's victory was not due to caprice but was due to a revolt against the Republicans around key issues. These issues were (1) the recession, (2) the continuing high level of unemployment and the do-nothing line of the Republicans, (3) the anti-labor campaign of big business, and (4)

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the struggle around civil rights -- the failure of the Republicans to uphold the gains of the Negro people, and, finally, the issue of peace and the rejection by the voters of the DULLES 'brink-of-war' policies, the Quemoy situation, etc.

"How it was possible for the people's victory to be won. First, the split in the Republican Party, especially around the labor question. For example, SPARKS said KNOWLAND called for an immediate show-down against labor, as opposed to the attitude of the moderate Republicans like KNIGHT, who favored an abating of the all-out attack against labor.

"The central feature of the election campaign which Communists must understand is that it represented a major advance of independent action by the working class and its allies against reaction and was expressed in three main centers of political work: (1) Labor, (2) the Democratic Club movement, and (3) the Democratic Party itself.

"First, the role of Labor. Of special importance was the campaign against Proposition 18. The SOS set up 60 separate headquarters. The Negro-Labor alliance held firm throughout the campaign, not primarily due to Labor but because of the advance understanding of the Negro people.

"Second, the Democratic Club movement guaranteed the general progressive character of the campaign and was primarily responsible for the progressive platform developed and passed at the Fresno Conference.

"Third, the Democratic Party. Of main significance in the role of the Democratic Party was the minority conference and the activities of certain candidates like LOPEZ and ROYBAL. The special importance of the minority conference at the Embassy Auditorium was that it spelled out the special role and emphasized the strength of the participation of Negro and Mexican aims in political activity.

"The Communist Party in the elections. SPARKS recommended that everyone re-read the 'Worker' editorial analyzing the elections. He said the weaknesses in our work were made greater by the fact that we were forced to work within the gerrymandering which characterizes California Congressional District organization. For example, he said in 1956, the total vote for Congress, the Republicans got

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50.1% of the votes but got 8 out of the 12 Congressional District seats. The Democrats got 49.9% of the vote and 1/3 of the available seats. In 1958 the Democrats got 55% of the vote and only 5 of 12 Congressional seats. The Republicans got 45% of the vote and got 7 Congressional seats. This was due to gerrymandering.

"In the main, the seats that were lost to the Democrats by the process of gerrymandering were those where it might have been possible to elect Negroes, Mexican-Americans, or working class candidates. This means that the question of reapportionment in 1960 is the key issue on which all Communists and progressives must concentrate.

"Briefly, in analyzing the Party policy in relation to the 26th Congressional District JAMES ROOSEVELT - CRISPUS WRIGHT campaign, he stated that ROOSEVELT got 72% of the vote this year, and that this should teach the Party a lesson; that LENIN said a long time ago the basic reason on which people decide their political position is in relation to their economic interests, and the Negro people in the 26th voted for ROOSEVELT because he was a Democrat and they felt that he would give them a better deal than WRIGHT, who was a Negro but was a Republican.

"In the 15th, MC CONOUGH won the election by less than a two per cent margin. Therefore, this would have been the best concentration point for the election of a minority candidate. He reminded the District Council that this had been a recommendation in his report to the Council as early as last April, but some of the comrades had insisted that the concentration be changed to the 26th on the issue of Negro representation there. SPARKS stated that in 1960 the 15th Congressional District must again be made a concentration area with a minority candidate.

"On the LOPEZ - ROYBAL campaigns, the main significance of these campaigns was that Mexican-American candidates carried the campaign to all corners of the state. The campaign was weakened by the lack of unity between ROYBAL and the rest of the Democratic Party leaders. There was an open intimidation of voters in the Supervisorial race in which DEBBS participated in the highjack of leaflets, etc. There was a scandalous ballot counting mixup, etc. Further, the 'go-it-alone' policy of PAT BROWN filtered down to LOPEZ and ROYBAL and further weakened the campaign. Finally, Communists

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permitted themselves to be influenced negatively toward ROYBAL and LOPEZ by stating that LOPEZ and ROYBAL had softened their allegiance to principle and were conducting weak campaigns and indulging in Red-baiting. He stated that it was time Communists stopped making professed demands of minority candidates and began to recognize that principle of minority representation must be guaranteed, regardless of certain weaknesses in the minority candidates.

"He spoke at some length about the role of ALMINO LOMAX, Editor of the 'Los Angeles Tribune,' and stated that he was scandalized to find that some of the Communist Party members in this area were taking their political leadership from the Tribune rather than from the Communist Party.

"He said the general significance of the election campaign could be summarized as follows: The emergency of Labor; pointing toward its next historic step in the development of its independent political role. The main orientation of the Republicans toward Labor was not only to pass Proposition 18 but to destroy the entire political activity and apparatus of the trade unions.

"Next steps for Communists and progressives in terms of political orientation on newly elected public officials are: (1) Clean out the Dixiecrats in the Democratic Party; (2) Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee; (3) Abolish Rule 22 in the U. S. Senate; (4) Break the seniority rule on the appointment of Senate chairmanships, and of special importance here are concentration on the campaigns to prevent the appointment of EASTMAN in the Judiciary Committee and BYRD in the Finance Committee.

"On a state level, the key tasks are: First, to put a stop to the moderation blitz that is beginning to take hold of the newly elected Democratic politicians. On a legislative campaign -- the passage of the State FEPC, the abolition of the Loyalty Oath, and the passage of a taxation program that will oppose increased sales taxes and propose a tax policy which will place the burden on the oil companies, etc.

"The municipal election picture -- In the spring there will be seven Councilmanic posts open and four Board of Education posts open. There is already apparent several scandals that will brew to a boil before the election campaign. These are the questions of oil drilling leases, zoning,

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Chavez Ravine, etc. The second point is the question of minority representation in municipal elections. Third is the development of our policy toward the question of an independent Socialist candidate. The entire election picture demands heightened public vigilance and participation.

"This concluded the report and the Council was adjourned for lunch, with the announcement that the meeting would reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

"The meeting was reconvened at 1:30, and it was agreed that adjournment time would be set for 3:00 p.m; discussion time was limited to five minutes per speaker.

"HARRY HUNT stated that SPARKS' estimate was based on how the situation today will move people in the future. Therefore, a big victory becomes important because the basic sections of the working class moved in their own interests and will continue to move in those interests. The Democrats recognize they must do something as the result of the election victory. Therefore, it becomes our responsibility to strengthen the club movement, the minority movement, and the labor movement in relation to increasing their political activity.

"On the question of SPARKS' analysis of the campaign in the 26th, HUNT said the major question is did our techniques strengthen our role in the 26th or our relations with the Negro people there. He was critical of SPARKS' report in that the report did not answer either of these questions.

"HENRY SAZER spoke on Proposition 18 and the increased activity of Labor in the communities in work against Proposition 18. However, he said, the main weakness was the confusion in many circles of the labor movement around the DEBS - ROYBAL campaign. He urged that the Education Commission analyze the 17-point program proposed by PAT BROWN and the 10-point CIO program around labor in the light of Communist Party policy.

"In characterizing Labor's role in the election, he said that one reason Labor was so active was that the piecards recognized that their jobs were in jeopardy. Therefore, they worked hard and got their membership to work hard. The main question now is how to keep the rank-and-file in motion.

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"In discussing participation of the Communist Party membership in the election, NAN BLAIR said that 35% of her section participated in the election and that two people in his section were in leading positions in Democratic Clubs.

"NAN BLAIR spoke on the confusion around Propositions 16, 17 and 18, and said her section was very active in the campaign but they ran into considerable difficulty, particularly with the Catholic people in their area on the question of school taxation. She was critical of the Party policy because it did not clearly outline what our relation should be to groups like the pension groups and special interests groups such as the Catholics. She said the WRIGHT campaign in the 26th broadened the minority movement in support of minority rights, despite the fact that ROOSEVELT was elected. She emphasized the importance of the Democratic minority conference.

"DANNY COHEN said the California elections made a major contribution to the national political picture. He cited some figures of how much money was raised by the labor movement for political action in this campaign, and he asked that there be scheduled a discussion at the next District Council meeting on the Independent Socialist group in this area. He said he was tired of hearing this movement dismissed as of no significance by the Party leadership when, obviously, this is a very active group which is doing a great deal of publicity work.

"LEONA KENIGSBERG from San Diego was very critical of the role of the 'People's World' in the campaign, stating that it did not present a clear position, especially on Propositions 16 and 17. She asked for an explanation of what the Democratic minority conference was and why the 'People's World' had not carried any releases on this. She asked for an explanation of the New York election results.

"WALLY TALBOT warned that following the election there may be an unholy alliance of reactionary Republicans and Dixiecrats, and that this will have special dangerous significance in relation to American foreign policy.

"LIL, from San Diego, cited in particular the weaknesses of Democratic candidates around issues, was critical of the role of the 'People's World', cited the 12-Party statement and urged further discussion in the District Council

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on this question, and asked for more information on the Independent Socialist campaign.

"CLARENCE YOUNG noted the high participation of minorities in the campaign against Proposition 18 and stated that the vote in the Negro community against Proposition 18 was greater than that in white communities. Proposition 17, he said, was neglected by the trade union movement, and the Communist Party should have spent more time and emphasis explaining Proposition 17. He stated that he wished to identify himself with the remarks made by Comrade SPARKS about the role of the 'Los Angeles Tribune' and stated that no Communist in his right mind should accept the line of ALMINO LOMAX for political guidance.

"DOROTHY HEALEY said one of the main significant questions around this election campaign was that there was the biggest Mexican-American participation that ever took place in any campaign, that the role and participation of Mexican-Americans is essential to the formation of any new political alignment in California. The maximum minority participation can only be achieved by the successful relating of their participation to minority candidates who are identified with the general political needs of the people.

"She then spoke briefly on the question of the lesser evil theory, and said there is a great deal of confusion in the Communist Party as to what the lesser evil represents. The history of the lesser evil theory, she said, is linked to a realistic decisive working class alternative such as occurred in Germany in 1932. This has no application to the current political situation in California. The Communist Party's election policy in California in 1958, as it has always been, was to present a two-way alternative -- first, to attempt to build with the Democratic Party the most advanced political line and activity, and, second, to present a Socialist alternative.

"She emphasized the importance of the coming California Democratic Club conference, which, she said, would be a Democratic issues campaign conference, and that it is necessary to prepare now in the trade unions and other mass organizations to guarantee the progressive content of the conference. The main issue to be taken up by all progressives at this conference will be the question of foreign trade and recognition of China.

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"It was moved, seconded and carried to endorse the main line of SPARKS' report.

"The next meeting of the District Council was set for Sunday, December 21, with the main report to be the National Committee report, discussion of the Jackson Report, and a proposed line of work for the convention.

"SADIE DOROSHKIN was given the floor for a brief report on the 'People's World' Bazaar. She said Los Angeles is now only \$800 short of its PW Drive quota. She urged participation in a short term drive to gain 200 new PW readers by January 1 and to renew 500 subscriptions.

"On the bazaar, she stated there was an urgent need for donations of more things and for people to volunteer. She urged that everyone who could report to the Park Manor beginning at 6:00 p.m., Friday evening, to help organize the bazaar.

"JIM FOREST announced the postponement of the next Education Leadership Meeting from Friday, December 5, to Friday, December 12.

"The meeting was adjourned about 3:15 p.m.

"Present were: (C)

"DOROTHY HEALEY  
LIL from San Diego  
LEONA KENIGSBERG (San Diego)  
HOWARD LOUCKS  
NEMMY SPARKS  
SOPHIE SILVER  
SADIE DOROSHKIN  
HARRY HUNT  
TED KNOWLTON  
HENRY SAZER  
CAL GOODMAN  
IRVING SNIDER  
IRVING's uncle HARRY  
BERT DUGDALE  
ALICE DICK  
SOL from Zapata  
DANNY COHEN  
IRENE MANDEL  
ANITA ROSTODHA"

BEN DOBBS  
A. C. ROGERS  
BILL ISBELL  
ALICE WARD  
BERNIE LUSHER  
SLIM CONNELLY  
CLARENCE YOUNG  
HORACE ALEXANDER  
WALLY TALBOT  
DOROTHY FOREST  
JIM FOREST (from about  
2:00 to 3:15)  
RUTH UTRECHT  
CHARLIE SCHWARTZ  
REVA MUCHA  
HELEN from Boyle Heights  
NAN BLAIR

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Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above report and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55448) DATE: 12/19/58

FROM: SA JOHN P. ANDREWS

SUBJECT: [ZAPATA SECTION] (C)  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,  
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP)  
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Informant furnished the following written report  
dated 12/4/58 concerning a Section Board meeting of the  
Zapata Section, SCDCP, which was held on 11/28/58 at [redacted]  
[redacted] Los Angeles, California: (C)

"On Friday, Nov. 28th, 58 I attended a Communist  
meeting of the Zapata Section Board, Southern California  
District, Communist Party, USA. The meeting was held at  
[redacted], Los Angeles, Calif. (C)

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[redacted] conducted the  
meeting and [redacted] (C)

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100-23399 (D. FOREST) (SI)  
100-33476 (C. BRIGGS) (SI)  
100-56495 (E. ALDEZMA) (SI)  
100-23488 (FUNDS) (SI)

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"First thing to be discussed was the proposed and section sponsored (and accepted by the P.W. Committee) Mexican booth at the P.W. Bazzar (Dec. 6th, 7th 58). (C)

"After some discussion we agreed to donate 'things' that were typically Mexican, it was also apparent that we needed money to buy Mexican made merchandise from Olvera Street, L. A. Calif. to supply the booth. [redacted] loaned Five Dollars (\$5.00) [redacted] loaned Ten Dollars (\$10.00). [redacted] donated one dollar (\$1.00), [redacted] will purchase the merchandise and deliver it to the Hall (Park Manor, 607 So. Western Ave.) (C)

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[redacted] from the Section, gave a report of a District Council meeting of Nov. 23rd, 58. He said the district council meeting discussed a three point agenda (C)

"#1 The fight against the House Committee on UnAmerican Activities. (C)

#2 Report on the Nov. 4th, 58 State election and

#3 the P.W. Bazzar.

"After discussion on the District delegate report, it was agreed to appoint some one to contact DOROTHY FOREST to see if help is needed on collecting signatures on A.C.L.U. petitions to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities. [redacted] was elected to [redacted] the petition activities. [redacted] then urged all of us that have petitions and collecting signatures to turn them in to the District so that in turn the Communist Party turns them in to A.C.L.U. and that way clearly show the C.P. contribution on the work. (C)

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[redacted] also mentioned in his report, the Democratic Minorities Conference (DMC). He said that that organization was going great and urged all of us who wanted to get real active to join the D.M.C. (C)

"After some discussion on organizational problems it was voted to call a Conference with the Boyle Heights Section who is without formal organization to discuss the possibility of merging the two Sections or a geographical basis. (C)

[redacted] reported that that the District is functioning on a deficit, that not enough money is being collected for sustainers, adding that only a few sections are turning in Twenty Five to Forty Dollars (\$25.00 to \$40.00) in monthly sustainers but that most of the Sections are paying very little or nothing at all in sustainers. (C)

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[redacted] went on to report that the District propose that a fund drive be conducted for the benefit of the C.P. in the Southern California District and also that at an Org.Sec. meeting she attended on Nov. 27th at Hungarian Hall the problem of party organization was discussed and that it was suggested at that meeting that the Section Org.Sec. should take over all Detail work of the Section so that the Section Organizer be free to do the organizing, adding that the S.O. should go around visiting the clubs, attend meetings, and visit persons individually if they are having problems that effect their work in the Party. (C)

[redacted] continued to report that two people are being transferred to our Section (Zapata). She said that these two people are very active in mass organizations and fit just right in our cultural club, which is not active now, it is hoped that with these two people plus a re-shuffling of the clubs the Highland Park Club can be re-activated. (C)

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"It was reported that [redacted]  
[redacted] and [redacted] had accepted to work on the  
resolutions as the resolution Committee for our Section  
Convention, Dec. 14th, 58." (C)

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed  
and could add nothing further to the  
above.

All necessary action in connection with this  
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763) DATE: 12/23/58

FROM : SA ROBERT H. CLAUDIUS

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,  
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP)  
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INFORMANT ACTIVITY RECEIVED AGENT LOCATION

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cc: [redacted]

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(LEONA KENEGSBERG)  
(LILLIAN HASKELL)

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100-24842 (H. ALEXANDER) (SI)  
100-23399 (D. FOREST) (SI)  
100-56558 (W. ISBELL) (SI)  
100-20992 (B. LUSHER) (SI)  
100-22689 (A. ROSTODHA) (SI)  
100-20737 (R. UTRECHT) (SI)  
100-4663 (B. DOBBS) (SI)  
100-42626 (D. COHEN) (SI)  
100-23556 (J. FOREST) (SI)  
100-24502 (H. HUNT) (SI)  
100-22612 (E. MONJAR) (SI)  
100-18160 (C. SCHWARTZ) (SI)  
100-21884 (H. SAZER) (SI)  
100-29380 (N. BLAIR) (SI)  
100-55183 (I. MANDEL) (SI)  
100-56591 (S. MONROY) (SI)  
100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-44901 (C. GOODMAN) (SI)  
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100-52571 (C. MITCHELL) (SI)  
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100-21960 (L. KENEGSBERG)

100-52923 (L. HASKELL)  
100-21203 (J. SOLOMON) (SI)  
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On November 23, 1958 a meeting of the District Council, SCDCP, was held at the Park Manor, 607 South Western Avenue, Los Angeles. The following persons were reported in attendance:

"DOROTHY HEALEY  
HORACE ALEXANDER  
DOROTHY FOREST  
WILLIAM ISBELL  
BERNARD LUSHER  
ANITA ROSTADHA  
RUTH UTRECHT  
EARL SNYDER  
BEN DOBBS  
DAN COHEN  
JIM FOREST  
HARRY HUNT  
ELSIE MONJAR  
CHARLIE SCHWARTZ  
HENRY SAZER  
NAN BLAIR  
IRENE GOLDMAN MANDEL  
SOL MONROY  
BURT DUGDALE  
CALVIN GOODMAN  
TED KNOWLTON  
A. C. ROGERS  
SOPHIE SILVER  
MARGIE CARL  
NEMMY SPARKS

"PETTIS PERRY was excused because his wife is in the hospital.

"CHARLENE MITCHELL was also excused because she is out of town.

"DOROTHY HEALEY opened the meeting by saying that the agenda would be 'Fight the Un-American Committee,' the election campaign and the People's World bazaar.

"DOROTHY FOREST gave the report on the Un-American Committee. DOROTHY FOREST reported that in twenty-one years over 5000 people have been subpoenaed by the Un-American Committee, and that what has taken place now is that the Supreme Court has dealt a real blow to the Committee with the WATKINS Decision, stating in the WATKINS Decision that the Un-American Committee has surpassed its constitutional area, and that it lacks clear direction from Congress, and that the Committee has become an agency for repression of beliefs and associations. DOROTHY FOREST continued her report regarding the recent election results, stating that the people are ready to abolish the Un-American Committee, and the main way to express this is through the petitions which are now being circulated by the American Civil Liberties Union. DOROTHY FOREST stated that this is the first time in the history of the ACLU that there has been such a petition circulated by them.

"The petitions which are now being circulated must be returned by December 15th, or before, and they would then be presented to JIMMY ROOSEVELT at a dinner which will give by the American Civil Liberties Union. On these petitions you will see numerous names of people printed on it. For example, such names as BISHOP JAMES C. BAKER ROBERT CLARK, etc. DOROTHY FOREST reported that JOHN ANSON FORD had called up when he found out about this petition and wanted his name added to the petition.

"The Communist Party has been officially delegated to circulate this petition for signatures. At this point DOROTHY FOREST did not say by whom the Communist Party was delegated, but merely said that the Communist Party had been delegated to play a role in getting signatures on this petition. Also, that the Communist Party had been assigned the specific job of covering the Negro churches in the Los Angeles area November 30th and December 6th. She stated that a letter had gone out to the Negro ministers of these churches advising them that a person would be out there to get people to sign this petition. DOROTHY FOREST further stated that before people go out there with petitions that they should contact the Negro minister of the church informing him that they intend to be there and ask him if he received the letter, and if it is all right to have people out there either Sunday, November 30th, or December 6th. She said that this was the main task of the Communist Party in getting signatures on these petitions. This would be the District project of the Southern California District, Communist Party.

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"There were a few comments on this and the comments were as follows:

"CALVIN GOODMAN felt that this was a very good idea.

"BURT DUGDALE expressed that the Communist Party working to get signatures on these petitions was a 'light in our cage.'

"CLARENCE YOUNG, aka CLAY, a Negro, expressed that when we go to these Negro churches to be sure and contact the people there.

"HARRY HUNT felt that the Communist Party should be very careful when they are working within these churches to be sure that no one is offended.

"IRENE MANDEL felt that there should be a discussion on whether it is correct for the Communist Party to go into Negro churches with all white members.

"CHARLIE SCHWARTZ said that all the petitions which are being circulated by the Communist Party members should be turned in to the Communist Party so that the ACLU can see what a good job the Communist Party was doing on these petitions.

"DOROTHY FOREST then spoke again and said that the Communist Party people who are working on this project in the churches should not show up in front of the churches in 'capris' or 'blue jeans.' She also stated that there should be one coordinator from each Section and this person who is elected coordinator should call her relative to what churches to cover.

"This ended the discussion on the petitions and the next discussion was the election report given by NEMMY SPARKS.

"NEMMY SPARKS stated that he felt that the recent election represented a great victory; that the people are again moving united and politically, although we as Communist Party members realize that the victory is not the ultimate victory, but it does mean that the people feel that they are now united. He stated that when Congress meets in January there will be six Congressmen whom we consider reactionary who are not going to be present. Secondly,

it means that NIXON's chances for the presidency have been ruined, and that the Republicans, for the first time, have lost in the California elections. For example, in the Senate in California there are 27 Democrats and 13 Republicans. In the House: 53 Democrats and 27 Republicans. It has been some 70 years since this has happened. For example, NIXON's own district went democratic, and so did the 42nd, 44th and 50th. NEMMY SPARKS stated that some of the bad things which took place in the election were the return of GOLDWATER in Arizona and the election of ROCKEFELLER in New York, and certainly the defeat of LOPEZ and ROYBAL.

"Some of the opinions which are taking place are that someone like VINCENT HALLINAN, feels that there is no difference between the Republicans and Democrats, and it did not make any difference who was elected.

"RICHARD NIXON's opinion is that the only reason that the democrats won was because they worked harder.

"WALTER LIPPMAN, the commentator, says that this is just a new generation coming forth. But the Communist Party feels that the people were just tired of the EISENHOWER administration which was trying to represent a HOOVER administration and that it was going to be HOOVER all over again with the nation, open shops and violations of civil rights, and that the Republican's peace and foreign policy was all wrong. Mainly, some of the reasons the victory came about was because of the contributing factor of the split of the Republican Party here in California, and secondly, the independent advancement of people in the Democratic Clubs, the role that labor played, the defeat of Proposition 18, and the role played by the Democratic Minority Conference. Certainly, one of the major contributions during this campaign was the awakening of labor by Proposition 18, the huge amount of literature that was put out by labor, and the labor-Negro alliance which held up very well during the election. This indicates that labor has started to move politically. Another important factor was the Democratic Club movement which was represented by the nomination of progressive candidates and the platform at the convention. One of the outstanding things was that there was hardly any 'red-baiting' by any of the Democratic candidates.

"The Democratic Minority Conference played a major role in getting a minority candidate on the Democratic

ticket, and as NEMMY SPARKS reported, the DMC is here to stay and will play a major role in the future.

"NEMMY SPARKS reported that in the North there two Congressional seats won by the Democrats and in the Southern part of the state, one, and mainly this was because of the recent jerrymandering which took place. For example, in 1956 the Republicans received 50.0 of the votes, but out of that they received 2/3 of the representation and the Democrats received 49.9 votes and received only 1/3 of representation. In 1958 the Democrats received 55% of the votes, but the Democrats only received five seats and the Republicans received 45% of the votes and received seven seats. This means that the jerrymandering of the district by the Republican Party of the Republicans has split the minority communities.

"Lieutenant Governor ANDERSON says that he will do something about the jerrymandering.

"The Communist Party must play a role in preventing any more of this jerrymandering in California.

"In the 26th Congressional District where CRISPUS WRIGHT ran against JAMES ROOSEVLET, ROOSEVELT received 72% of the vote, and the reason why, NEMMY SPARKS said, was when two courses are presented to the people and one is in conflict with the economic question, they will vote as such. WRIGHT represented the Republican Party, although near the end WRIGHT split with the Republican Party because he did not come out in support of the 'right to Work,' because he felt that if he did he would isolate himself from the Negro community.

"In the 15th Congressional District MC DONOUGH, the Republican, won only by 5000 votes against PETTY who is a very poor candidate. This represents one of the concentration points for the next election to run a good candidate in this district, and if he is a good Negro candidate there is a possibility of his election.

"On the LOPEZ and ROYBAL situation, their loss was by a small margin. NEMMY SPARKS felt that there was prejudice which existed among the voters when a minority candidate runs. He said that special effort should be made by the Communist Party for a stronger campaign for these two candidates. But let us not forget the positive side of this, these two candidates made a good showing, although

there was a real lack of unity between these two candidates until the very end. In the ROYBAL campaign this was one of the roughest campaigns of the recent election. The ballot count was very bad. In the later stage of the campaign there should have been poll watchers to watch the polls to see that the counting was properly given.

"In general, NEMMY SPARKS, continued stating that labor is beginning to develop its political role, and a new political alignment will take place in the future where the Dixiecrats will be cleaned out.

"Some of the points, that the Communist Party must push and pressure the candidates who have been elected to Congress are:

"1. Main project is to do away with the Un-American Committee.

"2. To abolish Rule 22.

"3. Abolishment of the Seniority Rule.

"The State Assembly which recently held a discussion whether BROWN or HAWKINS should be the leader certainly it should have been HAWKINS. Secondly, that pressure should be put on the State Legislators to secure an FEP law which has only been promised.

"One of the bad points relative the democrats going into power at this time is the fact that the State treasury is completely bankrupt, and if the democrats must raise taxes to put money in the treasury they will be cutting their own throats. The Communist Party must push to tax the oil companies because they are the one industry which cannot leave California no matter how high they are taxed.

"The Communist Party looks to the future. In the very near future there will be the election of seven councilmen and four Board of Education members. NEMMY SPARKS said that there is now brewing in the City of Los Angeles a scandal which is ready to blow up, and when these elections take place you will see an election campaign similar to that of the days of Mayor SHAW. Our job is to continue to move people when the municipal election commences to take place, and for the election of a Negro councilman.



"HARRY HUNT then spoke. He said that he felt that many people who previously had never participated politically were moved in this election.

"HARRY SAZER then spoke on Proposition 18. He felt that many people were moved; that the main problem which took place was the conflict of Comrades who were working in the same mass organizations. He felt that one of the main points was that the democratic clubs be kept active.

"Another [ ] spoke. A gentleman by the name of [ ] He felt that LOPEZ was defeated because the Democratic Party did not give him the support that they should.

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"SOPHIE SILVER then spoke. She felt that there were certain issues which should have come more to the front during the campaign, and one of them was the question of peace. In the main, SOPHIE SILVER felt that the election was a victory; that it had moved many people and that the main issue now is for the Communist Party to keep the people in motion, and that members of the Communist Party should join the Democratic Minority Conference, but that members who are leaders in the Democratic Clubs should remain there.

"NAN BLAIR then spoke. She said that she worked against Proposition 16 because the area around Temple Street where she works is mainly catholic, and this is why she influenced many people to vote 'No' on 16 and 'No' on 18 at the same time. She stated that her club sent two Comrades to work in the CRISPUS WRIGHT campaign.

"DAN COHEN then spoke. His little joke was that he had heard that KNOWLAND was going to Catalina and was now planning to retake the mainland. He felt that the Democratic Party had knifed ROYBAL and LOPEZ by not giving them full support. Also, that we should hold a meeting discussing the new socialist forces which have started to take place.

"A woman by the name of LEONA [ ], a heavy-set woman, said that she was very dissatisfied with the way the People's World covered the campaign; that it did not have any recommendations for you to work for; that it should have printed a ballot and had marks on it for people to cut out and take it to the polls.

"A woman by the name of LILLIAN \_\_\_\_\_, then spoke. She said that in addition to NEMMY SPARKS' report, the defeat of KNOWLAND and KNIGHT was a real victory. She also criticized the People's World for poor coverage, and said that certainly the PW should have had a Marxist outlook with a Leninist orientation on the elections.

"CLAREANCE (CLAY) YOUNG, the Negro then spoke. He said that the defeat of Proposition 18 and KNOWLAND in the main was a good campaign and that it got many of the Communist Party Comrades into organizations where they never got into before.

"DOROTHY HEALEY then spoke. She stated that the campaign which was conducted around LOPEZ did have a positive note because the amount of votes he received throughout the state.

"It was then MSC to endorse NEMMY SPARKS' report.

"The People's World bazaar was then discussed. It was stated that this coming PW bazaar would be supported by all Communist Party members, and there should be phone calls made for everyone to attend the bazaar.

"DOROTHY HEALEY then reported that on December 6th and 7th, the National Committee of the Communist Party will meet in New York.

"The next meeting of the District Council was set for December 21, 1958, at the Park Manor.

"There was a report that the Southern California District came within \$800.00 of meeting its People's World fund drive quota, and that there is now commencing a new subscription fund drive.

"On December 12, 1958 there will be an Educational meeting of the Communist Party, at the Park Manor.

"BEN DOBBS will be out of town from December 6th to the 10th, attending the National convention.

"A name which I saw DOROTHY HEALEY give to another person was the name of \_\_\_\_\_, and the address looked like: \_\_\_\_\_ Orange County.

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"Literature attached to this report:

"1. Petition: 'Why Eliminate the House Committee on Un-American Activities?' issued and being circulated by the American Civil Liberties Union, 2863 W. 9th St., LA 6.

"2. Statement: 'Statement on the District Convention by the District Board.'

"3. Report: 'Report to CP Conference - PW - Oct. 11, 1958-' by BEN DOBBS.

"4. Minutes of the Southern California District Council, Communist Party - U.S.A. (This filed with proper meeting of October 24, 1958 - C-11 file).

"Another sideline at this particular time re JOE SOLOMON: JOE SOLOMON now lives at 1333 Bates Street, Los Angeles. I had an occasion to visit him Saturday and he is operating a mimeograph machine in his garage. The garage, if you will scrutinize the house, is in front of the house. He mimeographed the Democratic Minority Conference meeting of Nov. 24, 1958, at his home."

NOTE: Other informants in attendance at this meeting reported LEONA as LEONA KENEGSBERG and LILLIAN as LILLIAN HASKELL, both from San Diego. The [redacted] reported is believed to be from [redacted] area. SA MERLE L. PARKER has requested a case be opened on this individual for purposes of identification. [redacted] advised that efforts are continuing to identify him through [redacted]

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The exhibits referred to may be reviewed by agent personnel only through personal contact with [redacted]  
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This informant dictated results of this meeting on a memo belt which was furnished to the writer in person 12/1/58, and it was transcribed on 12/3/58, into a written report. Informant documented this report in the presence of the writer on 12/9/58. This report reads as follows:

cc: 1 - San Diego (REGISTERED)  
(LEONA KOENIGSBERG)

100-26497 (R. ZWOLINSKI) (SI)  
100-32449 (H. KONICK) (SI)  
100-33198 (W. TALBOT) (SI)  
100-56527 (A. DICK) (SI)  
100-20737 (C. UTRECHT) (SI)  
100-48783 (I. SNIDER) (SI)  
100-44901 (C. GOODMAN) (SI)  
100-23556 (J. FOREST) (SI)  
100-23399 (D. FOREST) (SI)  
100-27931 (S. SILVER) (SI)  
100-24692 (H. LOUCKS) (SI)  
100-55183 [redacted] (SI)

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100-21960 (LEONA KOENIGSBERG)  
100-4486 (D. HEALEY) (SI)  
100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-56558 (W. ISBELL) (SI)  
100-50269 (T. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-52923 (L. HASKELL) (SI)  
100-55925 (A. ROGERS) (SI)  
100-22612 (E. MONJAR) (SI)  
100-42626 (D. COHEN) (SI)

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100-24502 (H. HUNT) (SI)  
100-29380 (N. BLAIR) (SI)  
100-56591 (S. MONROY) (SI)  
100-32506 (C. YOUNG) (SI)  
100-24842 (H. ALEXANDER) (SI)  
100-22689 (A. ROSTADHA) (SI)  
100-30398 (S. DOROSHKIN) (SI)  
100-4663 (B. DOBBS) (SI)  
100-23198 (N. SPARKS) (SI)  
100-23196 (A. SPARKS) (SI)

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100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-24345 (NEGRO QUESTION)  
100-23423 (POLITICAL ACTIVITY)  
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100-24342 (LEGISLATIVE MATTERS)  
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"Los Angeles, California  
December 3, 1958

"On Sunday, November 23, 1958, a meeting was held of the District Council, Southern California Communist Party. This meeting was held at the Park Manor on Western Avenue. The chairman of the meeting was DOROTHY HEALEY, who is chairman of the Southern California District of the Party.

"The following visitors and delegates were observed to be present in attendance at this meeting:

"BERT DUGDALE  
WILLIAM ISBELL  
TED KNOWLTON  
LILLIAN HASKELL  
LEONA KENENGSEBERG, who accompanied LILLIAN HASKELL and who was an alternate delegate from San Diego  
A. C. ROGERS  
ELSIE MONJAR  
DANNY COHEN  
An elderly man wearing glasses from Monterey Park whose first name is HARRY \_\_\_\_\_  
HENRY SAZER  
HARRY HUNT  
NAN BLAIR  
SOL MONROY  
CLARENCE YOUNG  
HORACE ALEXANDER  
ANITA ROSTODHA  
SADIE DOROSHKIN  
BEN DOBBS  
DOROTHY HEALEY  
NEMMY SPARKS  
ALICE SPARKS  
REVA ZWOLINSKI  
HELEN KONICK (E. Hollywood ?)  
WALLACE TALBOT  
ALICE DICK  
CHICKIE UTRECHT  
IRVING SNIDER  
CAL GOODMAN  
JAMES FOREST  
DOROTHY FOREST  
SOPHIE SILVER  
HOWARD LOUCKS  
IRENE MANDELMAN.

"It was observed that a number of the individuals who would normally be present at this meeting were absent from the meeting because of preparations for a banquet which was to be held that evening also at the Park Manor. In addition it was noted that JIM FOREST and BEN DOBBS did not arrive at the council meeting until around lunch time. FOREST stated that he had been conducting a class which was held on Sunday mornings. DOBBS' reason for being late in attendance was not learned.

"The meeting began with the report by DOROTHY FOREST regarding a campaign which is being launched in the Los Angeles area in an effort to prevent the renewal of the permanent status of the House Un-American Activities Committee, at the opening of Congress. DOROTHY FOREST stated that a mass petition is being circulated under the auspices of the American Civil Liberties Union. This campaign is planned to be completed by January 9, 1959. Although there are certain imperfections in this campaign DOROTHY FOREST pointed out that this a united front campaign in which the Communist Party has been officially invited to participate as a group.

"Most specifically the ACLU has asked that the Communist Party undertake to cover Negro churches as an area of concentration with the petitions which it is circulating, calling for the discontinuation of this committee.

"DOROTHY noted that the petition is an implementation in many respects of the District Council resolution which was passed at a previous meeting, calling for the dissolution of the House Un-American Activities Committee at an early date and demanding mass action towards this end. A tentative deadline has been set for December 15.

"DOROTHY FOREST indicated that the American Civil Liberties Union in office is planning to send out a cover letter to all of the Negro Churches in the community announcing that the petition will be circulated in their church in the next two Sundays.

"In addition a statement has been issued by a group of Negro leaders here and throughout the country calling for the dissolution of the House Un-American Activities Committee. This statement is included in the letter which is being sent to the Negro Churches. It is hoped that a good response will be met by this petition and that the people who attend the Negro Churches will join in demanding the dissolution of the House Un-American Activities Committee.

"After the conclusion of DOROTHY FOREST's report, an announcement was made by DOROTHY HEALEY indicating that note taking was very much in order and suggesting that the individuals

"who were present representing sections and clubs should make a special point of taking notes on the next report which was to be delivered by NEMMY SPARKS on an analysis of the results of the elections.

"NEMMY SPARKS then took the rostrum and delivered a report as follows:

"He stated that the election was a great people's victory. Since the time of the primaries, the people have been moving unitedly in a direction of their own interests. This does not mean that a people's front or new deal government has been set up, but it was a large scale victory for the people in terms of the potentiality of the situation. The most outstanding reactionaries who ran for election lost in this election, NEMMY SPARKS noted. These included KNOWLAND, BRICKER, JENNER and MALONE.

"In addition to this the chances for KNOWLAND as a candidate in the presidential election had been ruined and those of NIXON had been seriously damaged.

"The 18th Proposition which was a very important anti-labor measure was defeated by a large majority.

"The Republicans controlled State Administration and State Legislature are no longer in existence. In Southern California the Republicans lost the 25th Congressional District which was NIXON's home district. They also lost all four assembly districts in which the party had decided to concentrate and the 56th Assembly District they won by a very slim majority. In San Diego the State Senate Seat was won by the Democrats for the first time in many years.

"On the other hand SPARKS noted GOLDWATER and ROCKEFELLER, representing important segments of the Republican Party were reelected and also on the Debit side, LOPEZ ROYBAL representing the Mexican Community in California were defeated.

"SPARKS noted that VINCENT HALLINAN recently stated that the political election which was just held has no significance in understanding developments because the Democratic and Republican parties are essentially the same. NIXON states on the other hand that the reason the Democrats won was because they worked harder, but this is not true, according to SPARKS. There were significant issues involved, here the people were disgusted with the Republicans, first of all because they identified the Republicans and the recession. Unemployment is still high and the Republicans

"throughout the period of the recession took a HOOVERism position. In the second place, the Republicans came out in favor of an open shop attitude on labor, through their support of Proposition 18. This was rejected by the voters at the polls, SPARKS stated. In the third place, the Republicans took an equivocating position with regard to the advancement of Civil Rights for the Negro people and in the fourth place the Republicans engaged in heavy war mongering. Also many Republicans denounced DULLES the position of Democrats on foreign policy was not too clear during the election.

"SPARKS raised the question whether it was true that the split within the Republican ranks brought about the defeat of KNOWLAND. It is true, he stated, only in the sense that KNOWLAND was jockeying for his nomination and also that the Republicans were split on their attitude towards labor. The Republican leaders were too impatient in their fight against labor and this is the reason why they were defeated.

"The central feature of this particular election campaign was the independent political action which was carried on in California by the Labor Movement, by the Democratic Movement and by the Minority Organizations. Labor was sought by the Democrat in support of its anti-18th proposition campaign and this campaign was widely endorsed.

"KNOWLAND was unable to split the Negro labor alliance by raising false issues of discrimination during the course of the campaign. The Democratic Club Movement had an opportunity to give the election campaign a progressive characteristic considerably better than any previously seen in California elections.

"The California Democratic Council Platform was widely attacked by the Republican Press during the course of the campaign.

"In addition to this the minority conference of the California Democratic Clubs is just beginning to make its influence heard in this area. This conference can serve to unite the Negro and Mexican people in United Political Activities.

"Prior to the election itself the worker stated editorially that the EISENHOWER policy would be rejected at the Polls. The worker noted that a step towards independent political alliance headed by labor was being made in this election. But why was it that in this great land-slide the Democrats only won the 21st Congressional District from the Republicans in Los Angeles County?



"In Southern California we have a special situation due to the gerrymandering of districts by Republicans in years past. SPARKS noted that in 1956 Los Angeles County Republicans got 50.1 per cent of the votes and then proceeded to win eight out of twelve district seats. In 1958 the Democrats got 55 per cent of the votes but only got five out of the twelve congressional district seats. More important the population areas which are mostly split in favor of the Republicans are those in which Negroes, Mexicans and working class people in general live. Gerrymandering is true elsewhere throughout the state and as a result the Republicans still have an edge as far as representation and Congress is concerned. Now that the Democrats are in control of the State Legislature reapportionment is an essential. In order to guarantee the election of working class representatives to Congress and in order to guarantee the election of Negroes to Congress, we raise this issue correctly during the course of the campaign.

"Now we begin to see others such as Lieutenant Governor ANDERSON speaking on the question of reapportionment.

"In addition SPARKS noted that the Democratic Council was beginning to study the problem of reapportionment seriously. We must make this a central question in future election efforts, SPARKS stated.

"Turning to the election activity in the 26th Congressional District, SPARKS noted that CRISPUS WRIGHT was extremely unsuccessful in his campaign against JAMES ROOSEVELT. ROOSEVELT, as a matter of fact, increased his majority as compared with his results in the previous election. People evidently basically decided that political position in terms of their economic attitude rather than in terms of their attitude on the Negro Question. The Negro suffered from unemployment and from recessions and they evidently identified themselves with the Democrats during the course of this election. WRIGHT on the other hand was faced by a contradiction, whether to support the Proposition 18 and Senator KNOWLAND and risk the possibility of losing his support from the Republican Party.

"In the 15th Congressional District MC DONAUGH won by a two per cent margin. We have for three years urged that in this place, it is possible to bring forward a Negro candidate. If we had had the right candidate running for Congress in this district, we could have won. This is a good prospect still ahead of us for 1960.

"Turning to the LOPEZ, ROYBAL campaign, SPARKS noted that it was unfortunate that both of these Mexican

"candidates lost by small margins. This must be accounted for in terms of prejudice which we should recognize. It is unfortunate that we were unable to bring about an extra effort in behalf of LOPEZ. We should not assume that a minority candidate cannot get elected as a result of these elections. Not every victory is won the first time we campaign, he stated.

"In the ROYBAL campaign there were tough tactics used by the opposition. Newspapers were hijacked by the DEBBS group. The ballot count was disgracefully handled and now DEBBS is involved in serious acquisitions with regard to a racket on the re-zoning of certain parts of city property. LOPEZ and ROYBAL had to go their campaign entirely alone. For example the 'Los Angeles Tribune', while in many respects a courageous and militant fighter for the Negro people was not always right. It was extremely wrong, for example, when it opposed the election of ADAM CLAYTON POWELL and when it opposed the election of ED ROYBAL. In the latter stages of the campaign there were great strides made in unifying the campaign effort among the Mexican people. Of general significance throughout this election is the fact that labor has made an extra storage step. The 'Los Angeles Times' said just prior to the election that BROWN would simply be a satyr for Reuthers Empire.

"SPARKS quoted SAM LUBELL, political commentator as having stated that the voters are beginning to ask whether the fundamentals issues facing the American people can be solved by either the Republican or the Democratic Party. The Gallup Poll states that people think of the Democrats in their own image while they think of the Republicans in terms of wealthy people. The next step is to clean out the Dixiecrats out of the Democratic party. As a result of the victory of the Democrats in this election, it is conceivable that we will be able to abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee and to eliminate Rule 22 which has hampered civil rights legislation in Congress. We may also be able to break the seniority rule with regard to committee chairmanship, which is the rule under which EASTLAND and Senator BYRD are able to keep the control of important senate committees. In the State Senate, there was a serious setback as a result of the fact that a Negro candidate, who could have been nominated as chairman of the said senate was passed over in favor of another candidate. However, we must not let this stop us from seeing to it that this section of the state legislature passes an FEPC bill; we must abolish the loyalty oath of this session of the state legislature as well. The Republicans are leaving the state treasury almost bankrupt and this is going to cause a serious problem for the Democratic administration, however,

"We should not allow an increased sales tax to take place because of this.

"The next big political task facing the party is the election of seven council members and four board of education members which comes up very shortly in the Spring. It would be necessary that Negro candidates be entered for those campaigns.

"At the conclusion of NEMMY SPARKS report, HARRY HUNT rose to state that he has a question regarding the degree with which this election has really moved the people. The big problem with which he is concerned is whether or not we can achieve the fruits of victory which are indicated as a result of this election.

"In the 26th Congressional District, we must note that our tactics did not strengthen the influence of the party in this area. As a result of supporting WRIGHT, we cannot say that we are any sense closer to the Negro people.

"Parenthetically it should be noted that HARRY HUNT was originally not in favor of supporting CRISPUS WRIGHT in his candidacy for Congress running on the Republican ticket.

"The next speaker was HENRY SAZER. He indicated that the Echo Parks Section did a good job in the election, working very hard for ROYBAL, but that many of the people from the party, who worked in the campaign displayed very sectarian methods of work forcing many people to disassociate themselves from the ranks of the organization for which they were working on the basis of a sectarian position taken by the party.

"The education department should analyze the 17 point program which Governor BROWN has brought forward and the ten point CIO-AF of L Legislative Program which has been issued. Work should be done to popularize these programs, he stated.

"The next speaker was , who was reported above. He indicated that he agreed with the report made by NEMMY but that he felt that this was not a great victory for the people, although it was a victory. Labor played a fine role in the course of the election, he stated. Even the professional labor organizers came out and campaigned against Proposition 18 because it was in their own interests to do so.

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"The economic situation was the main reason why the voters swung in front of the Democrats this speaker stated.

"He went on to point out that the reason why ROCKEFELLER won in New York was because his program was better than that of HARRYMAN. Democrats here in California, he stated, knifed LOPEZ and ROYBAL by not supporting them. For example CHET HOLLIFIELD, actively campaigned against ROYBAL, during the course of the campaign. What realignment of forces has taken place as the result of this election. What program shall we work for now? These are the questions which still have to be answered.

"The next speaker was SOPHIE SILVER. She asked what is the general level of political development, which we can see as a result of their work. It is necessary that our section set down and make a serious evaluation of the party, and the sections role in the election campaign. The people themselves moved and the party moved with them. SOPHIE SILVER indicated that 35% of her section had actually participated in the election campaign. Two people in this section are now active readers of California Democratic Council Clubs. A great emphasis has been given to the work of the minority Democrats conference. These people are not actively seeking numbers of the conference of their own name.

"The next speaker was NAN BLAIR, who indicated that the Democratic Party had called for a new hold on Proposition 16, 17 and 18 and that the attitude of the Party with regard to Proposition 16 had been a faulty one. The Democrats recognized that they needed to make an alliance with the rank and file of the Catholic people particularly the Mexican workers who are in the Catholic Church. NAN BLAIR pointed out that LENIN and his article on religion had stipulated that the main enemy of the people are the monopolists and not the Pope. It is important to recognize that you cannot fight on religion questions at the same time you are trying to fight on political and economy questions.

"The next speaker was DANNY COHEN. He indicated with respect to LOPEZ's campaign that his very presence on the ticket greatly strengthened the strength of the Democratic ticket.

"The participations of the unions in this election was a remarkable one. The California AF of L contributed \$825,000.00 to the campaign while the LA AF of L contributed an additional \$700,000.00 to the campaign just to work on the question of Proposition 18. The Democratic Party must now deliver as far as the union is concerned. If it does not the union will have to stop supporting that party.

"In New York State the Independent Socialist Ticket whom we often insists represents nobody at all was able to pull a substantial vote. It is necessary that we continue to develop our contacts with these forces.

"The next speaker was LEONA from San Diego. She indicated that she felt the 'People's World' coverage was not adequate during the course of this campaign. She did not understand why ROCKEFELLER was elected nor did she understand the Democratic Party Policy with regard to the question of armaments.

"The next speaker was WALLY TALBOT. He indicated that the peace issue was dramatized during the course of the campaign, particularly by Mrs. BROWN in her candidacy for Congress. However, it was not handled adequately from his point of view. In the 56th Assembly District, the man who was being supported by the Party lost by only 48 votes. However, our people were very active in the campaign, he stated.

"The next speaker was LILLIAN HASKELL. She stated that she agreed in the main with NEMMY SPARKS report, but she also objected to the work that was done by the 'People's World.' She disagreed with NAN BLAIR and insisted that it was important to support propositions like Proposition 16 in order to keep Church separated from state which is a historical rank of the American people.

"The next speaker was CLARENCE YOUNG. He indicated that on the main issues facing the people during the course of the election, we won. However, we should have fought harder on Proposition 17 in order to eliminate the sales tax he stated. We should have also fought harder on the question of electing ROYBAL.

"The next speaker was DOROTHY HEALEY. She stated with regard to the campaign of the two Mexican candidates, that most observers feel that this was the best campaign politically in which the Mexican community has ever participated. The role of these forces represents a realignment which is of considerable importance in understanding the future nature of California politics. There is a great opportunity in the future, she noted, to develop successful minority candidates based on the work which has now been done. It is wrong she went on to start to presume that the approach which we take to the Democratic party must be one of accepting one of a lesser evil rather than a greater evil. The vote which has taken place recently has real significance. Only when there is an important meaningful working class alternative facing orders can we presume that

"the Democrats are in any sense a lesser evil to be ignored or fought against. There is at the present time no working class alternative facing the people and as a result the present expression of political alignment is a real one. The Trotskyites on the other hand hold a foolish position with regard to this question and insist upon unrealistic alignments politically speaking. We want to offer socialist alternatives to be sure she stated, but not by cutting our forces off from the main elements of the working class at this time.

"DOROTHY HEALEY noted that the California Democratic Council is now planning an issues convention at which time there will be an opportunity for the victorious representatives to sit down and prepare a real legislative program. The issue of trade and recognition of China should be taken up at this conference, she stated. We should fight for a continuation of the main line of the California Democratic Conference as it was adopted at the last convention.

"At the conclusion of this discussion, a motion was made to accept the main proposition that had been proposed by NEMMY SPARKS. This motion was passed unanimously by a voice vote. It was then decided that the next district council meeting, which is to be held shortly after the National Committee meeting in December 21ll be held on a Sunday rather than on a Friday as would normally be the case in order to allow ample time for a consideration of the work of the National Committee meeting. It was noted that this next national committee meeting will be concerned with a reconsideration of the election effort with a discussion of JIM JACKSON's report on the Negro Question and with a discussion of the plan of work for the year ahead as well as with a discussion for the proposed National Convention of the party. It was decided that this Sunday meeting of the District Council be held on December 21, 1958, at the Park Manor. At this time the meeting was adjourned.

"(During the course of lunch a tall man with blond hair and a dark blue suit was noted loitering around the lunch room which is located in the same building as the Park Manor. This man was spotted by WILLIAM ISBELL, who indicated that he had noticed him earlier in the morning hanging around this area and who noted that he had very suspicious characteristics and was probably an FBI agent. This information was communicated to several others including A. C. ROGERS, CAL GOODMAN and ELSIE MONJAR, and it was indicated that evidently these people were trying to strike up an acquaintance of some kind with some of the delegates. This was the only man who was present in the diner at the time that the party delegates came out for lunch, other than the delegates themselves.)"

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ACTION:

It is being recommended that a 100-New case be opened on Unsub [ ] in order that his identity may be established.

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM, UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) DATE: 12/17/58

FROM : SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN

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SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)  
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | Executive Board meeting of the Valley Chapter of WLA, 12/4/58 | 12/5/58<br>b7D | Writer | [redacted] |
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report: Informant furnished the following handwritten

"No. Hollywood, Calif  
12/5/58

"I attended the board meeting of the Valley Chapter of W.L.A. at the home of BLANCHE MILLER 3641 Woodcliff Rd., Sherman Oaks on Dec 4th 1958 from about 9:10 P.M. until after midnight. The meeting under the chairmanship of SONNY KRASIK.

cc: [redacted] b7D

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| 100-56539 | (P. GALLIHER)      |
| 100-35381 | (M. ASHER)         |
| 100-53283 | (D. BLISS)         |
| 100-25859 | (S. BRESSLER)      |
| 100-44402 | (S. GOLDBERG) (SI) |
| 100-48827 | (B. GREENBERG)     |
| 100-44971 | (D. HALPERIN)      |
| 100-23252 | (S. JAMPOL)        |
| 100-54061 | (S. KRASIK)        |
| 100-54823 | (B. MILLER)        |
| 100-26585 | (P. PAULE)         |
| 100-56768 | (E. RATLIFF)       |
| 100-54001 | (D. RICHNER)       |
| 100-19687 | (S. ROSENBERG)     |
| 100-53523 | (G. SITKIN)        |
| 100-55489 | (F. YOSSEM)        |

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| 100-3267  | (ACLU)        |
| 100-24227 | (SJO)         |
| 62-1664   | (HCUA)        |
| 65-5177   | (I. F. STONE) |

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"EVA RATLIFF read the minutes of the last board meeting, and also gave the treasurers report, she said that there was about \$297.00 in the Valley Chapter treasury. It was noted that the largest single expense during the past year was \$85.00 for the printing of the bulletin. It was said that the W.L.A. Council wanted us to discuss and vote on the following three proposals for the 1959 annual dinner. 1 To have it as in past years with a prominent speaker & a large dinner and dancing 2 a speaker followed by a buffet supper. 3 A speaker plus coffee and cake only. The reason the council wants to discuss this now is that it takes ten to eleven months to make all of the arrangements. There has been some criticism of the past affairs including the amount charged for admission. The last dinner cost \$15.00 a couple. During the discussion DALE HALPERIN said that she felt it would cost just as much to have a buffet as it would to have the regular dinner. BLANCHE GREENBERG was very upset by this discussion. She thinks we should have a dinner on a donor basis with a charge of \$25.00, \$10.00 of which would be a donation and the remaining fifteen dollars for admission. She said she knew this would work as it has proved successful in the Southland Jewish Organization of which she is a member. After a very lengthy discussion we finally voted on the third proposal that is to have a speaker followed by coffee & cake. One of the speakers suggested for the next annual meeting in 1959 was ELEANOR ROOSEVELT. (C)

"After the vote on the above question SONNY KRASIK again brought up the question as to whether or not we should continue 'with the RICHNER plan' this is the plan the Valley Chapter general meetings follows at the present time. Under this plan all of the members are able to attend both panel sessions. As an alternate it was suggested that we go back to the old plan followed several months ago where both panels were held in the morning making it impossible for one person to attend both panels as they were going on at the same time. SUE BRESSLER was very much in favor of doing away with the RICHNER plan however after much discussion the board voted to continue the RICHNER plan. BRESSLER was the only one who voted against it. (C)

"At this meeting GUSSIE SITKIN again mentioned that it was absolutely necessary that all petitions be returned to her no later than 12/12/58. The petitions are to abolish the HCUA and were issued by the A.C.L.U. (C)

"She said STELLA GOLDBERG, Civil Liberties (C)

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coordinator of the W.L.A. Council had written her a letter suggesting that we follow a plan they had used in downtown L.A. This plan was that three women took their petitions to a large parking lot next to a super market and got the people who were going to the market to sign, according to GUSSIE, GOLDBERG indicated that over 175 signatures had been obtained in this manner in about an hour. (C)

"Each board member was given a list of five names & telephone numbers to be called regarding these petitions. Following this we had refreshments. During the evening BLANCHE MILLER's husband came in and greeted the women present but he did not stay for the meeting. One of the women mentioned that his hobby is sculpture. (C)

Those women who attended the board meeting were\_ (C)

"SONNY KRASIK President  
DOROTHY RICHNER (Author of the RICHNER plan)  
DALE HALPERIN  
GUSSIE SITKIN  
SUZANNE BRESSLER  
EVA RATLIFF  
MIMI ASHER  
PEGGY GALLIHER  
FLORENCE YOSSEM  
BLANCHE MILLER  
PEARL PAULE  
BLANCHE GREENBERG  
SYLVIA ROSENBERG  
ANN REGEN (She is to be the new program chairman)

"Because of illness neither SYLVIA JAMPOL or DOROTHY BLISS were able to attend. I got copy of F. F. STONE's Weekly at this meeting. (C)

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information.

It is recommended that a 100-Dead file be opened on ANN REGEN, new program chairman of the Valley Chapter of WLA. (Note: Name has also been spelled ANN REGAN.) (C)

All other necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55504) DATE: 12/19/58 b6  
FROM : SA [REDACTED] b7C

SUBJECT: [SAN BERNARDINO-RIVERSIDE]  
[COMMUNIST PARTY CLUB]  
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| [REDACTED]<br>who has fur-<br>nished reli-<br>able info in<br>the past and<br>whose iden-<br>tity should<br>be protected. | Meeting of<br>the San<br>Bernardino-<br>Riverside CP<br>County<br>Committee at<br>[REDACTED],<br>California on<br>11/26/58 | 12/5/58<br>b6<br>b7C<br>b7D | Writer | [REDACTED] |

Informant's report is quoted verbatim as follows: (C)

"Nov. 30/58 (C)

"On Nov. 26/58 I attended a meeting of the  
Riverside and San Bernardino Countys Communist Club. (C)

"Members present were (C)

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100-28418 (N. SAMAROFF) (SI)  
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100-56493 (V. ACANFORA) (SI)  
100-32153 (E. LONOW)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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"First point on the agenda was [redacted]  
[redacted] Their was no change. [redacted]  
for [redacted] [redacted] was [redacted]  
[redacted] He is to represent this County at [redacted]  
Committee. They meet in Los Angeles. [redacted] is to  
find out when they are to meet, and report back to the  
club. (c)

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"Next point in the agenda. Abolition of  
Un-American Committee (c)

"The American Civil Liberties Union sent some  
Copies of a petition for circulation. The Club is to get  
some signatures and send copy back to Party in Los Angeles. (c)

"Next [redacted] to see if he can get a  
speaker to come to County to prepare a open meeting. (c)

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"Next meeting to be held at Mr. LONOWs home  
on Dec. 1/58." (c)

ACTION: Informant was contacted, 12/11/58,  
and he orally advised that meeting took place at home of  
[redacted] California. and that  
person he reported as being present, [redacted] is [redacted]  
[redacted] also there. (c)

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Informant was thoroughly interviewed con-  
cerning the above and could furnish no further information.

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memo has been taken by the writer.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55504) DATE: 12/19/58

FROM : SA CARL G. MURANO, Jr.

SUBJECT: [SAN BERNARDINO-RIVERSIDE  
COMMUNIST PARTY CLUB  
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | Meeting of the San Bernardino-Riverside CP Club at [redacted]<br>[redacted]<br>San Bernardino, Calif. on 12/3/58 | 12/10/58 | Writer | [redacted] |

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Informant's report is quoted verbatim as follows: (c)

"Dec. 4/58 (c)

"On Dec. 3/58 I attended a meeting of San Bernardino and Riverside Communist Club. (c)

"Meeting was held at [redacted] San Bernardino. (c)

"Members present were: (c)

cc: [redacted]

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100-58493 (V. ACANFORA) (SI)  
100-32153 (E. LONOW) (SI)  
100-32140 (R. LONOW) (SI)  
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"Report of County Committee by [redacted]

He reported that the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California was putting out a Mass Campaign for the elimination of the Un-American Committee. He said that the Party is reporting this drive and that all Party members should get petitions out and try to get as many names as possible. He also reported that the County had election of officers. [redacted] was elected [redacted] for County and [redacted] elected [redacted] for County. Next County meeting will be a open meeting. [redacted] will be the main speaker. Meeting to be held Dec 12/58 at LONOWs home. (C)

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[redacted] then read a artical from Political Affairs and then some discussion. (C)

"Next dues and literature. (C)

"Next meeting to be held at [redacted] home. [redacted] Calif. Dec. 17/58. (C)

"Mr. LONOWs address. 4454 North San Antonio, Claremont." (C)

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ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no further information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55504) DATE: 12/19/58

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: SAN BERNARDINO - RIVERSIDE COMMUNIST PARTY CLUB  
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| [REDACTED]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | Meeting of the San Bernardino-Riverside CP Club at [REDACTED]<br>[REDACTED]<br>San Bernardino, Calif. on 12/3/58 | 12/12/58 | Writer | [REDACTED] |
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follows:

Informant's report is quoted verbatim as

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"On 12/3/58 I attended a meeting of the San Bernardino-Riverside Communist Party Club at [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] San Bernardino, Calif.

"The following persons were present:

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cc: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)

100-56493 (V. ACANFORA) (SI)

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[redacted]  
[redacted] the new [redacted] collected  
CP dues from the members for the month of November 1958.

"Literature was then distributed to club  
members:

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"Political Affairs 11/58  
Economic Notes 11/58  
Peoples World

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[redacted] stated that VINCE ACANFORA  
a new member of the Ontario CP Club will pick up the  
literature in Los Angeles and bring it to the County CP  
Meetings where [redacted] will pick it up.

[redacted] then gave a report on the  
County CP Meeting. He stated that VINCE ACANFORA is an  
old time CP Member and that he will be the county repres-  
entative to the Southern California District CP in the  
labor and union field. He stated that he will come to a  
club meeting of this club and speak sometime after the  
first of the year.

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[redacted] then gave the educational  
which was taken from Progress Questions, 11/58 edition of  
Political Affairs. He stated that all members will select  
a topic from this topic of discussion and prepare a paper  
on their opinions of the article they choose and a dis-  
cussion will be held on this at the next meeting.

[redacted] stated that the American  
Civil Liberties Union is sending out petitions for persons  
to sign which will be for the purpose of abolishing the Un  
American Activities Committee. She asked all members to  
sign these petitions.

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"Meeting closed.

"Next meeting 12/17/58 at [redacted]  
[redacted] Calif."



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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55500)

DATE: 12/11/58

FROM : SA [REDACTED] b6  
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SUBJECT: [22nd CD SECTION] (C)  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
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On 11/18/58, a regular meeting of the Van Nuys Club  
met at the residence of [REDACTED]  
California. Present were: [REDACTED] (C)

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were present in the  
house but did not attend the meeting. (C)

cc: [REDACTED]

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97-16 (PW)  
100-26044 (ORGANIZATION)  
100-23901 (EDUCATION)  
100-24349 (INTERNATIONAL)  
100-3267 (ACTIV)

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[ ] the meeting and opened with an explanation of the new Valley organization for the benefit of [ ] [ ] stated that at the last Section meeting there was a progress report on improving the activities of the Pacoima and Studio City Clubs. (C)

Under "People's World" (PW) [ ] outlined the projective activities in the Valley in the preparation for the PW bazaar. Various people stated what they would do to assist the bazaar. [ ] stated he would be in Arizona the week end of the bazaar. (C)

[ ] stated that after [ ] by [ ] would present a preliminary outline of the subjects for discussion re Party policy. Members who had not read the article "Program Questions" in the September, 1958 edition of "Political Affairs", were told to do so by the next meeting. (C)

[ ] said that discussion in the Club of the "Program Questions" was vital and should proceed at such a pace that there would be time for Section discussion before the Southern California Convention. He stated that the reason that the last National CP Convention was not more fruitful, was because the procedure was not uniform. He continued that every aspect of the Party program must be considered. He stated that the work of each member should be evaluated and just because people feel comfortable in some organization does not mean that they remain if their talents can be more productive elsewhere. Individual self-discipline is necessary. The members must consider: (C)

- (1.) What is Communism in the context of present day America?
- (2.) Democratic centralism versus dictatorship of the Proletariat.
- (3.) Increased compensation of the true meaning of Socialism. (C)
- (4.) The work of members in political parties.
- (5.) Work in trade unions and peripheral activity by non-union members.
- (6.) The place of educational activities within the clubs and activities not CP sponsored by which CP members take part.

He elaborated on the Marxist classes saying that locally they have been going on for a year but we are just up to the seventeenth century. He did continue that it would be 1960 before they got to the present day. [ ] stated that foreign policy of the United States must be under constant watch and the active role of Socialist toward peace and disarmament must be scrutinized. [ ] launched into a lengthy resume of her activities as a unitarian. (C)

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[redacted] stated that what [redacted] discussed was good but what the people should think about was what was going on in France and what had happened to the Party in France. (C)

[redacted] stated that she agreed with what [redacted] had stated to be of primary importance but she would welcome a thorough discussion of the new Soviet 7-year plan. [redacted] stated she would like to know just where she is with "those who have left us as this is a current target for attack on her as a CP member." b6

[redacted] said that this was vital--that the effect on the U.S. economy of growing Soviet economic strength would be tremendous and may well hasten the dissolution of the U.S. capitalist monopoly. b7C b7D

[redacted] stated that this is the third time the Party has undergone upheavals but has always emerged strengthened. The first time was before World War II, then there was BROWDER and now this. [redacted] stated she feels the present and future holds greater promise for activity than ever before, "but what we must do is to have again our members active in policymaking in Government and business as we had in the 1930's. [redacted] added that the McCARTHY years and other events had done much to curtail this phase. (C)

[redacted] said that criticism was healthy but he agrees with [redacted] stating that "we have not done so badly." The CP SU has undergone changes from which the CP USA can benefit. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] urged members to take the long view and work with calm strength. (C)

PHOEBE HOMER, although absent from the meeting, was assigned to review and report on the article in the "Political Affairs" on Party program. [redacted] signed the ACLU petition to abolish the HCUA. (C) b7D

ACTION:

It is recommended that the case on [redacted] be opened. Informant orally advised on 12/3/58, that [redacted] resides on [redacted] California, has not paid CP dues for three years and spends considerable time in Arizona. Informant was unable to state the exact nature of [redacted] business and the place in Arizona where he goes. It is further recommended that the case on [redacted] be opened for consideration for inclusion on the SI. (C) b6 b7C b7D

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016) DATE: 12/19/58

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE  
AMERICAN FREEDOMS (CCPAF)  
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| [REDACTED] | 12/1/58 | 12/4/58 | Writer | [REDACTED] |
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Informant's report is quoted as follows: (C)

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"CCPAF  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1958  
7:30 to 9 P.M.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
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DATE 8/21/28 JSP/rss

"1) MINUTES: Mailed to Minutes Committee (WEYMOUTH, COWELL and  
MARSHALL). Reading: DRU BAETKE

cc:

100-56498 (D. BAETTKE)  
100-43681 (D. MARSHALL) b7D  
100-24753 (E. RICARDO)  
100-16439 (F. WILKINSON)  
100-33336 (L. SPERBER)  
100-34470 (L. PAULING)  
100-52046 (R. BROCK)  
100-48513 (G. COWELL)  
100-7518 (H. DE LACEY)  
100-29426 (J. STEVENSON)  
100-20432 (F. WHITLEY)  
100-45843 (E. KATZ)  
100-39376 (M. HALL)  
100-55110 (I. FEUER)

RHB:srb 100-3267 (ACLU)  
(23)

1 - Newark (REGISTERED)  
(JAMES EMBRIE)  
1 - San Francisco (REGISTERED)  
(THE POWELL-SCHUMANN  
DEFENSE COMMITTEE)  
1 - Mobile (REGISTERED)  
(AUBREY WILLIAMS)  
1 - Washington Field (REGISTERED)  
(ECLC)  
1 - New York (REGISTERED)  
(ECLC)

Read by [REDACTED] 100-3267-910

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- "2) ATTENDANCE: Roster for signature, available at the door.
- "3) New Board Member: ELIZABETH RICARDO JACKSON has been named by the Negro Sub-Committee from the Class of S'59: Membership should be approved tonight by Executive Committee.
- "4) Financial Report & Sustainers: Report by Secretary
- "5) FBI NATION DISTRIBUTION: Secretary
- "6) DUGGAN TV ATTACK UPON CCPAF ET AL: Report by DOROTHY MARSHALL (C)
- "7) LAWYERS GUILD CONVENTION: Report by LARRY SPERBER
- "8) POWELL CASE VISIT: Report by GEORGE COWELL
- "9) ACLU PETITION CAMPAIGN PROGRESS & PROBLEMS: Secretary
- 10) NATIONAL STRATEGY - RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MARSHALL & WILKINSON:
  - "Proposals: MARSHALL
  - "DISCUSSION
  - "Executive Action Recommendations - SUMMARY:
- "11) NEXT MEETING: January 5, 1958
- "12) OTHER BUSINESS:
- "13) ADJOURNMENT"

"MINUTES OF THE MEETING

"CCPAF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1958  
617 No. Larchmont, Los Angeles, Calif

"CHAIRMAN: DOROTHY MARSHALL

"ROSTER ATTACHED

- "1. Minutes of the Executive Board meeting, Nov. 10, 1958, read by DRU BAETCKE, Executive Board Secretary, and approved
- "2. On the recommendation of the Chairman, ELIZABETH RICARDO JACKSON, nominated by the Negro sub-committee from the Class of Summer '58, was approved for membership of CCPAF Executive Board.

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## "3. FINANCIAL REPORT - FRANK WILKINSON (in absence of R. KONIGSBERG)

|                               |                 |
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| "Sustainers (reported Nov.10) | \$484 per month |
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| "New sustainers | 26.50 " " |
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| "total | <u>510.50</u> " " |
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"The Secretary stated that this amount does not cover the estimated \$675 monthly overhead of CCPAF, and requested the assistance of each member of the Executive Board in obtaining new sustainers. (C)

"Present bank balance is now below \$500 due to heavy expenditures for mailings during November. The Secretary stated that he will seek contributions to cover these mailing costs. (C)

"Suggestions for fund raising house parties during the holidays were discussed and received unfavorable reaction due to other commitments which Board members have made. (C)

"4. The Chairman and Secretary will travel to New York on Dec. 4, (returning on Dec. 16) to attend the ECLC National Council meeting and the Conference which the Secretary will attend in Princeton at the invitation of AUBREY WILLIAMS and JAMES IMBRIE. (C)

"M/S/C that a luncheon be held at Carolina Pines, Dec. 18, at which time the Executive Board and friends will hear a report from the Chairman and Secretary on the Eastern trip, and also a report on the final drive of ACLU petitions campaign, the deadline of which has been extended until Dec. 31st. (C)

"The Chairman reported that she will speak at the ECLC Bill of Rights dinner in New York on Dec. 15. She will also attend the National convention of the Foreign Born Committee. (C)

"5. The Secretary reported that 500 copies of the NATION 'F.B.I.' issue have been received, as per arrangement, and are now on sale in the office at 50¢ a copy. (C)

"6. LAWYERS GUILD CONVENTION - reported by LARRY SPERBER: (C)

"The Guild convention in Chicago was well attended by many distinguished people and received excellent newspaper publicity. LINUS PAULING was among those who spoke. (C)

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"The Guild was recently successful in defeating the Attorney General's attempt to list the Guild as a 'subversive organization.' (C)

"7. The Chairman reported that a transcript of the DUGGAN TV attack on CCPAF et al had been obtained and 100 copies are now being mimeographed for distribution. (C)

"A letter written by Attorney ROBERT BROCK has been sent to the KPOC TV station protesting the attack on CCPAF and asking for time to reply. DUGGAN's employment has since been terminated. (C)

"8. POWELL CASE - GEORGE COWELL reporting: (C)

"POWELL was in Los Angeles for 10 days in November and made many good contacts. Funds were raised at various house-parties. The case will again be heard in San Francisco Jan. 19, 1959. (C)

"9. ACLU PETITION CAMPAIGN - FRANK WILKINSON reporting: (C)

"Approximately 35,000 petitions have been distributed, as follows: (C)

|                                               |                                     |
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| "ACLU                                         | 6000                                |
| CCPAF                                         | 5500 (also 5500 reminder postcards) |
| Warehousemen's Union<br>(ILWU 26)             | 500                                 |
| JOE WYATT<br>(Pres.CDC)                       |                                     |
| WLA                                           |                                     |
| SJO                                           |                                     |
| Unitarian Fellowship for Social Justice       | 750                                 |
| Methodist Board of Christian Social Relations |                                     |

"CCPAF will also make 5000 telephone calls, and a final mailing, with remittance envelopes, will be sent between Christmas and New Years.

"HUGH DELACEY with a crew of 8 has reported that 138 signatures were obtained in 3 hrs. of door to door contacting.

"Leaders of organized labor are giving remarkable support.

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"10. NATIONAL STRATEGY - Recommendations for MARSHALL & WILKINSON (C)

"A meeting of the ECLC National Council, Dec. 14; in New York, will be attended by the Chairman and Secretary, at which time a program for 1959 will be adopted. (C)

"The establishment of an ECLC Washington office for lobbying purposes was discussed by the Board. The Secretary stated that he feels that a Washington office for lobbying purposes is essential as crucial legislative information can only be obtained at the national capitol. The possible formation of a new coordinating group, headed by AUBREY WILLIAMS and JAMES IMBRIE, will not necessarily duplicate the efforts of ECLC as this group will reach a different audience. (C)

"It was the sense of the meeting that the Executive Board is not in a position to make any financial commitments at this time, but will maintain friendly relations with both national groups. (C)

"After discussion, a recommendation from JANET STEVENSON was approved, that a weekly legislative bulletin service from Washington should be established which would give CCPAF and other interested organizations important information without dealy. CCPAF and other interested organizations and individuals would be in a position to pay the nominal cost for this service. Copies of bills being introduced in Congress could be transmitted to Los Angeles and elsewhere in the country in time to commence necessary action. (C)

"M/S/C that CCPAF advance sufficient funds to cover expenses of the Secretary's trip. The Secretary's travel to and from New York are to be reimbursed by the IMBRIE-WILLIAMS group. (C)

"The Chairman is receiving funds for the trip from 2 organizations in Los Angeles (C)

"11. L. SPERBER informed the Board that a party honoring ANN GINGER, editor of Civil Liberties Quarterly Digest, would be given at his home on Dec. 29. He suggested that Board members give him the names of people who would be possible subscribers to this publication in order that they may be invited to this party. (C)

"12. Next meeting Jan. 5, 1959. (C)

"Meeting adjarned at 9:40. (C)

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"CCPAF Executive Board meeting - Dec. 1, 1958. (c)

"Roster of attendance (c)



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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55504) DATE: 12/30/58

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: [SAN BERNARDINO-RIVERSIDE  
COMMUNIST PARTY CLUB  
IS-C] (c)

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| INFORMANT                                                                                         | ACTIVITY                                                                                               | RECEIVED                         | AGENT  | LOCATION       |
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| [REDACTED]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | Meeting of the San Bernardino-Riverside CP Club at [REDACTED]<br>[REDACTED]<br>California on 12/17/58. | 12/18/58<br><br>b6<br>b7C<br>b7D | Writer | [REDACTED] (c) |

follows (c) Informant's report is quoted verbatim as

"12/18/58 (c)

"On 12/17/58 I attended a meeting of the San Bernardino-Riverside Communist Party Club at [REDACTED] California. (c)

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"The following persons were present: (c)

cc: [REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
100-20590 (G. HICKS) (SI)  
100-39542 (B. DAVIS) (SI)  
100-39530 (J. DAVIS) (SI)  
100-54157 (D. KATZ) (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
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[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
100-23198 (N. SPARKS) (SI)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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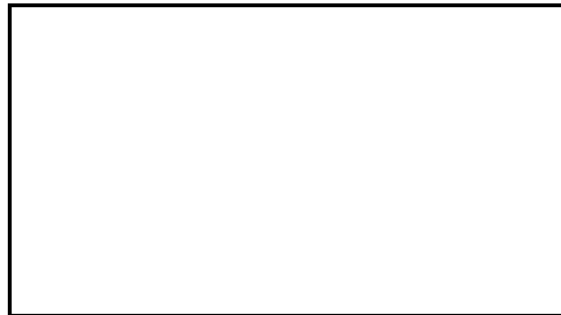
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"CP Club dues were paid for the month of Dec. 1958 by the following members: (C)



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"Literature the 12/58 edition of Political Affairs was distributed by (C)

(C) was led by (C) the (C) It was taken from the 11/58 Political Affairs. Article entitled 'Party Progress Program Discussion.' (C) read this article and then a general discussion among club members was held. (C)

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(C) then asked what had been done with the American Civil Liberties Union petitions against the Un American Activities Committee. (C)

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(C) stated that they had petitions signed and that they all had received a good response from the people in signing these petitions. (C)

(C) stated that he had been to see GIBSON HICKS and that he is feeling a little better now. He said that when GIBSON HICKS doesn't come to meetings the whole Riverside group seem to stay home. He said that something will have to be done about (C) since the only meeting that she has attended in the past few months was the one at her home. (C)

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"A general discussion was then held on the open County CP meeting and all members who had been present thought that NIMI SPARKS gave an excellent talk and that the meeting was well worthwhile. (C)

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[redacted] reported that the next District CP Council meeting will be held 12/19/58 and the next County CP Committee meeting 1/7/59. (C)

"Next meeting of the club will be held on 1/14/58. [redacted] stated that he will contact [redacted] to see if they can hold the meeting at her home in [redacted] California. (C)

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"Meeting closed." (C)

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no further information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) DATE: 12/29/58

FROM : JOHN C. F. LOUGHNEY

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES LOCAL SOCIALIST  
WORKERS PARTY  
IS-SWP

| INFORMANT                                                                                         | ACTIVITY | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | 12/10/58 | 12/15/58 | Writer | [redacted] |

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On 12/15/58, [redacted] furnished the writer with a handwritten report which pertained to a regular weekly meeting of the LAL-SWP, held on 12/10/58 at 1702 E. 4th Street, Los Angeles, California.

cc: [redacted]

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100-56733 (G. DAVIS)  
100-56521 [redacted]  
100-56607 (D. PATTERSON)  
100-29455 (A. APPEL)  
100-24035 (E. BROADY)  
100-43269 (P. BUCH)  
100-23847 (J. CANNON)  
100-32438 (R. CANNON)  
100-24141 (L. CURTISS)  
100-30389 (C. FEINGOLD)  
100-29632 (L. FRUMKIN)  
100-31033 (M. GENECEIN)  
100-31766 (T. GENECEIN)  
100-19460 (B. GOLDSTEIN)  
100-2353 (E. GURSKE)  
100-44977 [redacted]  
100-54675 [redacted]  
100-52556 (L. HARRIS)  
100-45315 [redacted]  
100-47186 (J. JOHNSTONE)  
100-29463 (E. KOVACS)  
100-29517 (P. LARNER)  
100-22467 (A. LEWIS)

100-22943 (S. LEWIS)  
100-19949 [redacted]  
100-29454 [redacted]  
100-49851 (E. NOVACK)  
100-54959 (D. PARROTT)  
100-23349 (S. ROBERTS)  
100-23553 (H. ROSEN)  
100-47181 (D. SANDERS)  
100-23325 (J. SHEPHERD)  
100-29057 [redacted]  
100-29374 [redacted]  
100-29648 (M. SNIPPER)  
100-29661 (M. STARK)  
100-23383 (S. STARK)  
100-29557 [redacted]  
100-29522 (A. STROWISS)

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100-52149 [REDACTED]  
100-39209 [REDACTED]  
100-31696 (V. DUNNE)  
100-56633 (D. STARK)

100-30423 (I. WEINSTOCK)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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This report read as follows:

"10 December, 1958

"I have, within the hour, returned from an evening spent in attendance at the weekly meeting of the Los Angeles local of the Socialist Workers Party. Held at the LA headquarters of the SWP -- 1702 East Fourth Street, the meeting was attended by 40 party members, was chaired by GEORGE DAVIS.

"8:08 PM Business:

"1. After the presentation of the minutes of the previous week's meeting,

"2. JAMES CANNON presented a proposal by the National Secretariat that CARL FEINGOLD be transferred to Minneapolis-St. Paul to become organizer as VINCENT DUNNE is physically unable to continue functioning in that post. He further suggested that EDMUND KOVACS be organizer for the Los Angeles Local. By unanimous vote, the body concurred.

"3. Reporting for the local Executive Committee, ED KOVACS reported receipt of a mimeographed note of resignation from the SWP. There were ten reasons given for the [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] -- reasons of difference in tactical and theoretical difference. There was no objection to an unanimous acquiescence. Co-operating in the circulation of petitions to ask Congress to re-call the House Un-American Activities Committee the SWP will mail specimen petition forms together with mailings to advertise SWP functions for the rest of the month. The American Civil Liberties Union, sponsors of the petition vampaign, asked for the help of the SWP.

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"One such public meeting will be held at 1702 East Fourth Street the evening of 19 December. ED KOVACS will speak on Berlin and the U.N. This will be the last Forum of the year.

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"Admission to the New Year's Eve party will be \$1.00.

"After an intermission for the payment of dues & pledges, the meeting heard a preliminary report on the recent Plenum. From this akechy report, it appears there is to be no major change in SWP activities. Said reporter FEINGOLD: 'The party will hold its convention the latter part of May (59)

"10:11 PM Present at the meeting were:

"GEORGE DAVIS  
VERNON DAVIS  
DIROS VANZLER  
SOPHIE LEWIS  
AARON STROWISS  
AL APELL  
ROBERT MORGAN  
DEAN PATTERSON  
EVELYN NOVACK  
DE MILA SANDERS  
MITT SNIPPER  
ALICE SNIPPER  
MILTON GENECEIN  
NUTCH  
PAULINE LARNER  
JAMES CANNON  
DELLA MC CREARY  
LEO FRUMKIN  
ELEANOR BROADIE  
JOE STURMER  
MAY STARK  
SAM STARK  
JACK SHEPPARD  
LIL CURTISS  
DON STARK  
ED GUERSKY  
ROSE KARSNER  
LEN HARRIS  
ANNE SNIPPER  
HOWARD ROSEN  
THELMA FRASER  
JOHN HAAS  
HELEN HAAS  
PETER BUCH  
AL LEWIS  
JACK JERSAWITZ  
DON PAROTT



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ED KOVACS  
MARIANNE YATROFSKY  
JANET JOHNSTONE  
STEVE ROBERTS  
ISADORE WEINGTOCK"

Informant on the same date furnished the following mimeographed letter dated 12/8/58 and kept in [redacted]

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"Dec. 8, 1958

"Dear Friend,

"This Wednesday night's meeting is a very important one for us. First of all, a plenum report will be given by CARL FEINGOLD and JAMES P. CANNON will present a short report on a special matter. Secondly, this is the last meeting before the December 15th date line of our fund drive.

"This is the home-stretch for the fund-raising drive. Your pledge must be paid in full by the above date. At this time you still owe \$5.00. Bring this amount to the meeting this Wednesday - plus:

"SPECIAL - In order to complete our quota we are compelled to ask EACH AND EVERY PERSON TO MAKE A SPECIAL ADDITIONAL PAYMENT OF \$5.00. This extra amount is needed to make up the difference between what we pledged and what we expect to raise by Dec. 15.

"Please arrange to pay the \$5.00 plus any balance on your pledge Wednesday -- OR -- if you cannot be present at the meeting -- phone any of the following numbers and the money will be picked up: An 9-4953; PL 6-1835; WE 8-8876.

"In conclusion: Don't forget to come to Wednesday night's meeting and above all don't forget to bring all your pledge money plus the extra five bucks -- to help finance and sustain the party in its vital task.

"Fraternally,

[redacted]

"P.S. There will be a special 'going-away' party for CARL

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FEINGOLD at [ ] at [ ] this Saturday night. So, if you have any money left after Wednesday, you can spend it there, (come anyway, even if you don't have any left)."

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267) DATE: 12/29/58

FROM: SA FRANK L. BELSANTE

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES  
UNION (ACLU)  
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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 URT/HH  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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| [redacted] | 11/30/58 | 12/5/58 | writer | [redacted] |
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This report reflects that during the morning of 11/30/58 a mobilization was held for the purpose of circulating ACLU petitions against the legality of the Un-American Committee. The mobilization headquarters was at the home of BILL JAMES and wife, 2328 Third Avenue, Los Angeles

Those present that were known to the informant were:

BILL JAMES [redacted]  
DON MATSUDA [redacted]

ARVILLA JACKSON  
NAN BLAIR  
PAT WELCH  
MATILDA TOLLY  
MILT REITZEN  
FELIX PADILLA

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cc: [redacted]

100-26088 (B. JAMES)  
100-26103 [redacted]  
100-25278 (D. MATSUDA)  
62-1664 (HCUA)  
100-44910 (A. JACKSON)  
100-29380 (N. BLAIR)  
100-56647 (P. WELCH)  
100-21541 (M. TOLLY)

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100-36348 (M. REITZEN)  
100-31698 (F. PADILLA)  
100-23399 (D. FORREST)

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This particular mobilization was of a definite progressive origin and possibly under the sponsorship of the CP. DOROTHY FOREST's name was mentioned several times. The mobilization was poorly prepared and was meant to be concentrated on the various churches in the area. Those individuals present were dispatched to various churches in order to obtain signatures on their petitions. (e)

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

The name of [ ] is being indexed to this memo. (e)

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) DATE: 12/30/58

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  
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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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| [REDACTED] | 12/18/58 | b7D 12/19/58 | Writer | [REDACTED] |
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Informant's report is quoted verbatim as follows: (C)

"Dec. 19, 1958  
Santa Ana, Calif. (C)

"On Dec. 18, 1958, a [REDACTED]  
took place between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (C)

"In the conversation [REDACTED] said  
the American Civil Liberties Union plans to have an organizational meeting in Orange County on January 3, 1959.  
The affair is to be organized by TED HOOKER. (C)

"She further stated that AL APPEL has set  
up a National Guardian club meeting for January 9, 1959,  
at which JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, will be guest speaker. He  
will review the book 'Dr. Zhivago' by PASTERNAK, the (C)

cc: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (SI)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-21198 (J. H. LAWSON)  
100-29455 (A. APPEL)

[REDACTED] b7D  
100-3270 (ACLU)  
100-56432 (OCNGDF)  
100-31584 (NATIONAL GUARDIAN)

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Russian author: (C)

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"Mailings are to be sent out for both these meetings by the [ ]" (C)

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) DATE: 12/30/58

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  
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| [REDACTED] | 12/13/58 | 12/19/58 | Writer | [REDACTED] |

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Informants' report is quoted verbatim as follows:

"Dec. 19, 1958  
Santa Ana, Calif.

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"On Saturday, Dec. 13, 1958, a social sponsored by the Orange County National Guardian Discussion Forum was held at the home of [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] Calif. The purpose of the party was to raise funds.

cc: [REDACTED]

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100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-56832 [REDACTED]  
100-56996 (A. LOZIER)  
100-51356 [REDACTED]  
100-47203 (H. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-5282 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-56531 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-29455 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-33697 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-44831 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-54774 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-52637 [REDACTED]  
100-52636 [REDACTED]  
100-56285 (M. WOLFSON)  
100-56284 (I. WOLFSON)

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100-41885 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-46678 (M. SANTANA)  
100-46679 (A. SANTANA)  
100-3276 (ACLU)  
100-56432 (OC NATL. GUARDIAN DISCUSSION FORUM)

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"Those present were:

"BOB DURALL  
AL APPEL  
TED HOOKER  
JERRY WOODBURY  
BURT DUGDALE  
DICK BOERNER  
ILSE WOLFSON  
RIVA MORTON  
REENA UTIN  
JEANINE LOZIER  
BOBBIE DURALL  
CHARLOTTE APPEL  
CHARLENE HOOKER (TED's wife)  
FAYE WOODBURY  
HELEN DUGDALE  
MIKE WOLFSON  
WALT MORTON  
RAY UTIN  
ARCHIE LOZIER  
MANNY and ALICE SANTANA

[redacted] brought with him three unidentified young men. Two of them wore beards and were supposed to be students at San Diego State College. They appeared to be around twenty years old. The other young man was referred to by [redacted] as [redacted] which apparently is a nickname. He was about 6'2", balding, medium build to heavy build, about in his late 20's or early 30's.

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"The evening was entirely social. During the evening, BURT DUGDALE again expressed a desire to work with AL APPEL in forming a chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union in Orange County.

"No business meeting of any kind was held. A number of people left early."

ACTION: Informants were thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

The names [redacted] and [redacted] are being indexed to this memo.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55504) Date 12/31/58

FROM: SA [REDACTED] b6  
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SUBJECT: SAN BERNARDINO-RIVERSIDE COMMUNIST PARTY CLUB  
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| [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed | Mtg. of SBRPC at 1301 Williams St. Banning, Calif. on 12/17/58 | 12/22/58 | writer | [REDACTED] |
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Informant's report is quoted as follows:

"On 12/17/58 I attended a meeting of the San Bernardino-Riverside Communist Party Club at 1301 Williams, Banning, California.

"The following persons were present:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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"CP dues were paid by club members for December 1958

[REDACTED] \$2.50  
2.50  
1.25  
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[REDACTED] \$2.50  
2.50  
2.50  
1.25

cc: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (SI)  
(SI)

100-39542 (B. DAVIS) (SI)  
100-54157 (D. KATZ) (SI)  
100-41873 (H. KATZ) (SI)

[REDACTED] (SI)  
(SI)  
(SI)

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[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
100-56493 (V. ACANFORA) (SI)  
100-20590 (G. HICKS) (SI)  
100-3267 (AMERICAN CIVIL  
LIBERTIES UNION)

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"Dues were paid to [redacted]  
She stated that HERB KATZ, DOROTHY KATZ, [redacted] and GIBSON  
HICKS are behind in their dues.

[redacted] the [redacted] passed  
out the literature.

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Mainstream 10/58  
Political Affairs 12/58  
Peoples World

[redacted] then gave the educational. All members  
read from 9/58 edition of Political Affairs, article entitled  
'Program Questions'. [redacted] then asked each members  
of this club questions on the meaning of communism.

[redacted] then stated that the new member VINCE  
ACANFORA of the Ontario CP Club is a long time comrade with  
experience in labor work. He will give a talk to this club  
sometime in the near future.

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[redacted] then gave a talk on the unemployment  
situation in this area. He said that there are many out of  
work in this area and that in his union many of the members  
cannot find work.

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[redacted] then asked [redacted] to advise  
club members next time the American Civil Liberties Union holds  
a meeting in San Bernardino as he and other members of the  
club would like to attend.

"Meeting closed.

"Next meeting 1/14/58 at home of [redacted] if possible."

#### ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning  
the above and could furnish no further information.

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All necessary action in connection with this memo  
has been taken by the writer.

SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-6768)

1/5/59

SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

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On 12/22/58 [ ] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with the December, 1958 issue of "Socialist Newsletter". This document is located in [ ]

It is noted that on page 1 appears a commendatory note to the American Civil Liberties Union commending the ACLU for launching its petition drive to end the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

On page 2 appears a note that an AILENE WHITEHEAD, an active member of the (Socialist) party in Denver has moved to Los Angeles and is becoming active in the Los Angeles Local.

Also on page 2 is set forth a calendar of events for December, 1958, and it is noted that on 12/7/58 a discussion group for new members would meet at which the leader would be VERN DAVIDSON. On December 13 an educational social would be held at 1904 South Arlington, Los Angeles, at which the speaker would be MICHAEL SHADID.

Also on Page 2 is a note concerning recent activities of the Young People's Socialist League, which points out that a brief party would be held at which discussion would be on "Socialism, Communism, and American Life" led by TED ENRIGHT of the SP-SDF.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

cc: [ ]

100-3267 (ACLU)

100-45279 [ ]

100-7929 (YOUNG PEOPLE'S  
SOCIALIST LEAGUE)

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267) DATE: 1/5/59

FROM: SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES  
UNION (ACLU)  
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On 12/22/58 [ ] furnished  
SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with the December, 1958  
issue of the "Open Forum" published by the ACLU.  
This document is located [ ]

On page 1 it is reported that Attorney  
GEORGE SHIBLEY, represented by ACLU Counsel  
A. L. WIRIN and FRED OKRAND, would test in the  
courts the Long Beach Municipal Ordinance  
requiring the registering of ex-felons.

Also reported on page 1 is details  
of the filing of a suit by ACLU counsel A. L.  
WIRIN against officials of the U. S. Border  
Patrol for the purpose of testing the constitu-  
tionality of the Border Patrol's practice of  
searching persons and automobiles traveling  
north from the California - Mexico border. The  
suit was filed by Attorney NATHAN SCHOICHET.

On page 1 also appears a photograph  
of Los Angeles County Supervisor JOHN ANSON FORD  
signing the ACLU petition to revoke the House  
Committee on Un-American Activities at the  
instigation of Rev. ALLAN HUNTER. The story  
accompanying this photograph reports that  
Representative JAMES ROOSEVELT had announced his  
intention to cooperate in action to terminate the  
HCUA and that Attorney ALLAN SIEROTY was Chairman  
of the ACLU petition drive to do away with the HCUA.

cc: [ ]

100-7370 [ ]  
100-4876 (A. WIRIN)  
94-558 (CRIMDEL)  
100-26039 [ ]  
100-20682 [ ]  
100-56520 (G. DAVIS)  
100-26520 (S. MANDEL)

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On page 3 appears an article concerning a legislative action conference held by the ACLU last month at which California Senator RICHARD RICHARDS and California Assemblyman elect GEORGE BROWN, JR. spoke on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. Mrs. CATHERINE CORY, Executive Director of the Friends Committee on Legislation, also spoke at this conference.

Also on page 3 appears a list of the area directors who had volunteered to expedite the circulation of petitions in the ACLU drive to abolish the HCUA. These persons are listed as follows:

HOWARD RUSSELL  
ALAN CARSON  
WILLIAM PILLSBURY  
PAUL LOCKWOOD  
D. R. SHARPE  
HARVEY FURGATCH  
LEE BROMWICH  
BARBARA BACKUS  
ROBERT SOLLEN  
NELS WALTON  
DON WEISS  
ANNETTE CIMRING  
GRACE DAVIS  
ED LEVIN  
HENRY SMITH  
SEYMOUR MANDEL  
ED ELIAS

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55448)

DATE: 12/31/58

FROM : SA JOHN P. ANDREWS

SUBJECT: [ZAPATA SECTION] (c)  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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| [redacted] | 12/9/58 | b7D 2/22/58 | JOHN P. ANDREWS | [redacted] (c) |
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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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Informant furnished the following written report dated 12/14/58, concerning a CP meeting of the Hidalgo Club, Zapata Section, SCD CP, which was held on 12/9/58, at [redacted], Los Angeles, Calif.: (c)

"Dec. 14th, 58 (c)

"On Dec. 9th, 1958, I attended a Communist Party meeting of the Hidalgo Club, Zapata Section, So. Calif. District, Communist Party, USA, held at the home of [redacted]

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[redacted] and [redacted] (c)

cc: [redacted]

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Description:

Male Cauc., [redacted] in New York City, N.Y., 5'6", 140 lbs.,  
brown hair & eyes.

Former addresses:

[redacted] L.A.  
[redacted] St., L.A.  
[redacted] New York City, N.Y.

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Allegation:

Ad appearing in the UCLA "DAILY BRUIN" of 10-3-58, pg. 3, which  
states that at 8:30 Sunday night, Prof. JOHN W. CAUGHEY, UCLA  
History Dept., speaks on, "What Happened to McCarthyism?" 41  
Ave. 19, Venice. Open meeting & elections at 7:30. Student  
Chapter, AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION.

Ad appearing in the UCLA "DAILY BRUIN" of 9-26-58, pg. 3, which  
states that at 8:30 tonight its an informal get acquainted party  
with folk songs sung by GUY CARAWAN, Ash Grove regular, recording  
artist. 41 Ave. 19, Venice. Donation, 75¢ each, \$1.25 a couple.  
Presented by UCLA Chapter, AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION.

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Confidential & reliable information from Source [redacted] discloses:

[redacted] LA 9-6954. Last address,  
[redacted] L.A. Employed by [redacted]  
(3 yrs.), [redacted] L.A. Business phone, DI 7-6620.  
Subject has an account at the Bank of America, L.A. Date of  
this info, 7-3-58

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Information from the California Department of Motor Vehicles, Sacramento:

Operator's license [redacted] was issued on [redacted]  
[redacted] L.A., born [redacted] 5'6", 138  
lbs., brown hair & eyes. valid & unrestricted. Convicted of  
[redacted] Municipal Court, L.A.

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Information from the Los Angeles County Civil Service:

Subject is presently employed as a [redacted]  
Info taken from application dated [redacted] shows subject residence  
as [redacted] L.A., born in New York City, N.Y., [redacted]  
Served in the U.S. Army from [redacted] Serial [redacted]  
Graduated from high school in [redacted] N.Y., in [redacted]  
Attended City College of N.Y., [redacted]  
[redacted] Attended USC, L.A., [redacted]

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Employment:

From 6-19-55 to present: [redacted] Write & revise specifications for [redacted] Downey, Calif.

9-19-54 to 1/55: Odd jobs & unemployed.

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[redacted] U.S. Army [redacted]  
[redacted], Alabama, [redacted]

6/52 to 9/52: [redacted]

[redacted], New York, N.Y.

1/46 to 6/48: Odd jobs & high school.

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Confidential & reliable information from Source [redacted]

[redacted] YMCA, [redacted] Calif.,  
formerly of [redacted], New York City 59, N.Y. Social  
Security [redacted] Born [redacted] in New York City, N.Y.  
5'6", 120 lbs., brown hair & eyes. [redacted]  
[redacted] born in New York City, N.Y., living [redacted]  
New York City 59, N.Y. [redacted]  
born in [redacted] Mass., deceased. [redacted] Sub-  
ject resided at [redacted] New York 59, N.Y. from Jan.,  
1948 to June, 1952. Belonged to [redacted]  
[redacted] Ala., 1952 to 1953. [redacted]  
[redacted] Ala., 1952 to 1953. [redacted] New York  
City, N.Y., 1948 to 1951.

Personal references:

[redacted] N.Y., N.Y., teacher,  
known 5 yrs.

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[redacted] N.Y., N.Y., teacher, known  
8 yrs.

His hobby is handball (ten yrs.) and auto mechanics (five yrs.)

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Employment record:

U.S. Army [redacted] for [redacted]  
from June, 1952 to Sept., 1954.

Subject worked for [redacted] from 6-29-55 to 1-6-56 as a [redacted]  
[redacted] at \$2.25 per hour. Listed as eligible for  
rehire.

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Information from Source [redacted] indicated that subject listed as a per-  
sonal reference [redacted] L.A., AZ 4-2356.

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Oct. 8, 1958

NOTE: GUY CARAWAN & [redacted] together with 40 other youths from the U.S. attended the Moscow Youth Festival held in Moscow, Russia, in Aug., 1957. GUY CARAWAN won 1st prize in the Folk-song contest. CARAWAN & [redacted] went on to Red China, despite a U.S. State Dept. warning that their passports would be revoked.

GUY CARAWAN directs a group of singers called the DALLAS MAKERS at the 1st Unitarian Church, L.A., which is known to be frequented by Communists & "fellow travelers." CARAWAN [redacted]

[redacted] was was subpoenaed before the HUAC in [redacted] & refused to divulge his CP affiliations & memberships & as a result [redacted] of the L.A. Evening Herald & Express.

NOTE: JOHN W. CAUGHNEY has been a member of the Board of Directors of the ACLU, So. Cal. branch and in 1950 he protested the loyalty oath at UCLA. He has also been a speaker at the 1st Unitarian Church, L.A.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
New York 59, New York  
NY 10038

New  
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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
One and one-half years of [REDACTED] 1.

**WORK DESCRIPTION**

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The above experience was gained at:

**EDUCATION**

**MILITARY TRAINING**

Six months intensive training in:

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**REFERENCES**

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Occupation: Instructor

New York

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"The agenda for the meeting was a report of a previous Section Board meeting. Discussion on the coming (12/14/58) Section Convention and a report of the outcome of the PW Bazaar. (C)

"Mrs. HENRICKSON gave the Section report in which she said that the Section Board suspects that a conference be set up with the Party people in the Boyle Heights area to discuss Party organization with the view of possibly joining forces and forming one single Section to work primarily on Mexican work. Mrs. HENRICKSON reported that the CP was asked officially by the ACLU to participate in the drive to collect signatures on the American Civil Liberties Union petition which calls for the abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. She also reported that the CP considers the results of the State elections a real victory for the people that all reactionary candidates were defeated. (C)

"On the discussion on the Section Convention, DELFINO VARELA presented a document which was read and discussed briefly, the document deals with the situation, problems and possibilities in the Mexican Community and it will be introduced at the Section Convention. (See enclosed copy of document as amended on second page, third paragraph). (C)

"On the PW Bazaar report it was noted that there was no official report as yet but it was termed a huge success." (C)

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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Note: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

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| Subject's name and aliases<br><i>American Civil Liberties Union of So. California</i> |                            | Address of subject<br><i>2863 W. Ninth St.<br/>Los Angeles 6, Calif</i>                    |            | Character of case<br><i>Internal Security</i>                                                                                                     |       |
| Complainant<br><i>[Redacted]</i>                                                      |                            | Complainant's address and telephone number<br><i>[Redacted] Calif<br/>(Ph. 2) 412-5965</i> |            | Complaint received<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Telephonic<br>Date <i>1/10/59</i> Time <i>3:30 PM</i> |       |
| Subject's Description                                                                 | Age                        | Sex<br><input type="checkbox"/> Male<br><input type="checkbox"/> Female                    | Height     | Hair                                                                                                                                              | Build |
|                                                                                       | Weight                     | Eyes                                                                                       | Complexion | Birth date and Birthplace<br><br>b6<br>b7C                                                                                                        |       |
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Facts of complaint *C. wanted to go on record of this office that he had no Communist leanings and he didn't want his signing of petition for Subject organization to reflect on his loyalty. Said petition "A Resolution TO ELIMINATE THE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES" was brot. to his atty. by (FNU) [Redacted] at a Local 16 Dist. 1 on W 7th St. Mtg. of Internat'l. Bro. of Electrical Workers held either on Wed or 3rd Thurs of Nov, 1958. C. assumed [Redacted] was a regular member of Union as C. had seen him several Meeting before. C. was hesitant to sign petition. After signing he persisted & obtained attached Blank copy of petition to take home & look over.*

*This is first occasion C. had to come to this office (SATURDAY). C. claim to be a college graduate, and in future doesn't want signature held against him in event he needs clearance. C., an electrician working at [Redacted]*

Action Recommended *File in 100-3267*

(Agent)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) Date 12/31/58

FROM: SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN

SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

| SOURCE                                                                                               | ACTIVITY       | RECEIVED       | AGENT  | LOCATION       |
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| [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed | Literature b7D | As noted below | Writer | As noted below |

Informant furnished the following literature which she received as a result of her membership in the WLA:

1. Letter on WLA letterhead, indicating that the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) abolition has long been a major part of the program of WLA, and forwarding a copy of a petition bearing the return of the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California, 2863 West Ninth Street, Los Angeles 6, California. Copy of petition included in this exhibit. Furnished by PSI on 11/15/58 (Location: [redacted]) b7D

2. Copy of Volume 7, number 3, November, 1958 issue of the Bulletin of the Los Angeles Chapter of WLA, which announces the special November WLA meeting to be held on 11/19/58 at the home of ADELINE DONIN, 341 Mc Cadden Place, Los Angeles with the main speaker, Dr. EASON MONROE, Executive Director, Southern California American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), speaking on the abolition of the HCUA. Furnished by PSI on 11/15/58 (Location: [redacted])

cc: [redacted]

100-56596 (R. MOSS)  
100-55405 (G. HARDY)  
100-42713 (DR. E. MONROE)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-55884 (A. DONIN)  
100-44402 (S. GOLDBERG)  
62-1664 (HCUA)

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3. U.S. Postal Card, postmarked North Hollywood, California, December 18, 1958; indicating that the deadline for return of petitions to abolish the HCUA had been extended to 12/30/58. Petitions are to be returned to STELLA GOLDBERG, 1006 Sherbourne Drive, Los Angeles 35. Furnished by PSI on 12/23/58 (Location: )

4. Copy of Volume 7, number 4, December, 1958 issue of the Bulletin of the Los Angeles Chapter of WLA. Furnished by PSI on 12/23/58. (Location: )

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5. Copy of Volume, IV number 4, December, 1958 issue of the Bulletin of the Valley Chapter of WLA; indicating that the Annual Evening Holiday Meeting of the Valley Chapter of WLA is being held on 12/16/58 at the Valley Jewish Community Center, 5540 Laurel Canyon Boulevard, North Hollywood, California with the main speaker, Mrs. GEORGIANA HARDY, member of the Los Angeles School Board, speaking on the topic of "Report Card of Our Board of Education." b7D  
Furnished by PSI on 12/23/58.  
(Location: )

ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information.

All other necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

12/30/58  
SAC LETTER NO. 58-82

(H) ~~AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION OF WASHINGTON, INCORPORATED~~  
~~(ACLU) SEATTLE, WASHINGTON - INFORMATION CONCERNING - INVESTI-~~  
~~GATION OF FBI ACTIVITIES~~ -- The Board of Directors of the ACLU  
chapter, Seattle, Washington, in its meeting of November 6, 1958,  
made inquiry as to the scope and work which the Board expected  
of the Committee on its "investigation of FBI activities." The  
Board minutes then were read as follows:

"1) It is the sense of the Board that the Committee  
investigate instances of abuses and unwarranted action of the  
FBI in this State and report its findings and recommendations  
to the board;

"2) It is the sense of this Board that we request the  
National ACLU to undertake a similar study throughout the  
country."

All offices should be alert for the receipt of any  
information indicating ACLU intends to follow through with  
the announced plans of the Seattle chapter. Any information  
developed concerning this matter should be immediately brought  
to the attention of the Bureau.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) DATE: 1/7/59  
FROM : SA [REDACTED] b6  
b7C  
SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP)  
IS-SWP

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CLASS. & EXT BY 6382 VET/elt  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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| [REDACTED] | and 12/27,28/58 | 1/3/59 | Writer | [REDACTED] |
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who have  
furnished  
reliable  
information  
in the past,  
and whose  
identities  
should be  
protected.

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY SLIP  
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DATE 8/21/28 JSE/lbs

Informant's report is quoted as follows:

"Jan. 3, 1959  
Santa Ana, Calif.

"On the week-end of Dec. 27-28, 1958, there was an informal  
social gathering held at the Casa Contenta, on 5th St. between  
Cactus and West Drive, Desert Hot Springs, Calif.

cc: [REDACTED]

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100-5282 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-56531 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-29455 (A. APPEL)  
100-23847 (J. CANNON) b6  
100-32438 (R. CANNON) b7C  
100-31033 (M. GENECEIN)  
100-31766 (T. GENECEIN)  
100-7550 (C. HOUDEK)  
100-17284 (J. HOUDEK)  
100-29463 (E. KOVACS)  
100-28526 (S. KOVACS)  
100-49851 (E. NOVACK)  
100-48285 (G. NOVACK)  
100-23349 (S. ROBERTS)  
100-23553 (H. ROSEN)  
100-29529 (Y. ROSEN)

JEM:srb  
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100-47181 (D. SANDERS)  
100-24352 (FACTIONALISM)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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"The following Socialist Workers Party members were in attendance: (C)

"ROSE CANNON  
YETTA ROSEN  
DEMILA SANDERS  
JULIA HOUDEK  
GEORGE NOVACK  
BOB DURALL  
MILT GENECIN  
EDMOND KOVACS

JAMES CANNON  
HOWARD ROSEN  
STEVE ROBERTS  
CLIFF HOUDEK  
EVELYN NOVACK  
BOBBIE DURALL  
THELMA GENECIN  
SHIRLEY KOVACS

"On Saturday night Dec. 27, 1958, a political discussion started spontaneously. The chief topic concerned the falling apart of the Communist Party and where the former CP membership would go. JIM CANNON said that it could not be expected that the leadership cadre of the CP would join the SWP. In the course of the discussion many Los Angeles CP leaders were mentioned and it was agreed the SWP could not accept any of them for membership except after a long and rigorous proving period which none of them would probably want to submit to. The discussion brought out that this was necessary because of the SWP position that the CP leadership was basically dishonest in presenting the Stalinist kind of Communism. The SWP view as to rank and file CP membership is different in that the rank and file are viewed only as having been 'taken in' by the CP leadership. It follows from this view that former rank and file CP members can be recruited into the SWP. (C)

"It was pointed out that in England that many CP people including some of the leadership had moved to support of the SWP. This situation in England was viewed as different due to the influence of PETER FRYER, formerly of the London Daily Workers, who covered the Hungarian revolt and who supported the Hungarian people. It was also pointed out that the youthfulness of the British CP leadership made a difference. It was also agreed that the chief cause was the higher degree of the organization of labor in England, politically and economically. (C)

"On a local level, STEVE ROBERTS asked the [ ] about SWP activity in Orange County. He said AL APPEL had not contacted him about any proposed meetings to form an American Civil Liberties Union Chapter in Orange County. ROBERTS did not appear happy about APPEL's handling of things. (C)

"JIM and ROSE CANNON are temporarily residing at Whispering Trees Rancho, 4th St., Desert Hot Springs, Calif. They seem to be planning to stay there most of the winter. (C)

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LA 100-17375

ACTION:

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Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

The name PETER FRYER is being indexed to this memo. (9)

All other necessary action in connection with above has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (97-16) DATE: 1/7/59

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: "PEOPLE'S WORLD" (PW)  
REGISTRATION ACT

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| [REDACTED]<br>who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed. | 11/25/58 b7D | 12/4/58 | writer | [REDACTED] |
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AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
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DATE 8/21/78 JJP/SS

Source attended a committee meeting of the PW  
at [REDACTED] with about [REDACTED]  
including: (C)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who came late, about 9:00 p.m., because  
he is now working.

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The fund drive, subscriptions, and PW bazaar, were  
subjects discussed. During the evening, a woman 5'2" or 5'3"  
with black hair, partly gray and olive complexion, about  
105 lbs., rather well dressed, came in, asked for about two  
minutes time. [REDACTED] had the floor and this woman waited  
until he finished. (C)

cc: [REDACTED]

1 - New York (ESLANDA  
ROBESON) - REGISTERED

100-43513 (WLA)  
100-41016 (CCPAF)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

100-16304  
100-55725 (E. ROBESON)  
100-23399 (D. FOREST)  
62-1664 (HCUA)

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In her opening remarks, the woman said "The party" had taken over the petitions to eliminate the House Un-American Activities Committee, and the following three Sundays through December were to be given over to canvassing the colored churches. Notices had been mailed to all the colored churches and a central committee was to be established and workers to be assigned through the committee.

[redacted] [redacted], and [redacted] [redacted] all gave their names. [redacted] was the only person this woman speaking did not know and she asked for her name, address and phone number. The woman said that Women For Legislative Action, Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms, and the American Civil Liberty Committee all received these petitions. (c)

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In referring to the bazaar, [redacted] said that [redacted] was not helping this year. (c)

ESLANDA ROBESON is now in the United States and it was expected to have her as a speaker for the PW, if possible, 12/15/58. (c)

ACTION: Source advised the phone number for the unidentified woman who spoke at the above meeting was Normandy 3-6539. This phone is listed in the current directory to JAMES F. FOREST, 1758 North Alexandria Avenue, Los Angeles. (c)

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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SA [REDACTED]

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COMMITTEE REPORT (CCECP), U.S.A.  
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| [REDACTED]                                                                                                                                   | 12/21/11 | 1/2/12     | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| <p>APPROPRIATE AGENCIES<br/>AND FIELD OFFICES<br/>ADVISED BY ROUTING<br/>SLIP(S) OF <u>Classification</u><br/>DATE <u>8/21/28 33P/55</u></p> |          |            |            |            |            |

Information furnished a memorandum report which reads  
as follows: (C)

"On 12/14/11, [REDACTED] reported to directed the position  
classification which was then literally forced on him so that  
of this people were notified to go to the home of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] where an attempt would be made to contacting, situation  
in his vicinity. However, several people were not contacted  
and came to [REDACTED] home anyway. On [REDACTED] advised them  
that to do, [REDACTED] about the captured at the home of [REDACTED]  
called upon [REDACTED] to talk them over the telephone where to go to. (C)

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Informants were interviewed and advised that the petition mobilization referred to in the above report concerned a petition sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union against the House Committee on Un-American Activities. (C) 9

ACTION:

Informants were thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action in connection with this case has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . . . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763) DATE: 1/13/59

FROM : SA JOHN K. ANDERSON

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP), USA  
IS-C

12-21-81  
CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383-DE/11/11/81  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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| SOURCE                                                                                                        | ACTIVITY | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [redacted] and who have furnished reliable information in the past, and whose identities should be concealed. | 12/7/58  | 1/5/59   | Writer | [redacted] |

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Informants furnished a handwritten report which reads as follows: (C)

"Dec. 10, 1958 (C)

"On Sunday, Dec. 7, there was a [redacted] from the home of [redacted] (C)

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"Some of the people participating were: [redacted] [redacted] mother, another person with her, and about (C)

cc: [redacted]

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
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62-1664 (HCUA)

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three people who called on the telephone for assignments rather than come to [ ] house. [ ] served coffee and directed the mobilization. (C)

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"The workers did not stay out as long as the Sunday before due to the fact that many of them had commitments to be on hand at the P.W. Bazaar which was being held at the Park Manor. Several people called up and said they would be on hand the following Sunday." (C)

Informants orally advised that this Petition Mobilization was in connection with a petition gotten out by the ACLU against the HCUA. (C)

ACTION:

Informants were thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM, UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55822)

DATE: 1/14/59

FROM : SA EMERY D. TURNER

SUBJECT: [ORANGE COUNTY SECTION] SCDP  
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| INFORMANT                                                                                         | ACTIVITY                      | RECEIVED      | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | Cancelled meeting<br>12/29/58 | 1/5/59<br>b7D | Writer | [redacted] |

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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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Informant appeared at the home of [redacted]

[redacted] California,  
on the night of [redacted] to attend a regular  
meeting of the Orange County Club only to learn that the  
meeting [redacted] because most of the members [redacted]

Informant stated it was her opinion that  
[redacted] had purposely [redacted] of the  
[redacted] inasmuch as [redacted] who had  
[redacted] so that he could discuss certain matters with  
her. One concerned [redacted]  
in the [redacted] SCDP, which [redacted] said would not  
[redacted] until about February, 1959 or until after  
completion of a newly scheduled [redacted] for [redacted]

cc: [redacted]

100-7304 (H. UTRECHT)  
100-20737 (R. UTRECHT)  
100-43879 [redacted]  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-41648 (LACSJMS)  
100-55457 (HARBOR SECTION)  
100-1763 (SCD, CP)  
100-55887 (CPAIMO)  
100-23901 (EDUCATION)

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Orange County. The new series will embrace the subject of "Dialectical and Historical Materialism" as outlined by JOSEPH STALIN. For pre study, [ ] gave informant considerable material published by the SCDGP, USA, also the October issue of "Political Affairs" and a book on "Dialectical Materialism." (C) b7D

[ ] then told informant of an ACLU meeting that was to be held on 1/3/59 at the home of MANUEL SANTANA, 1204 Holly, Anaheim. He told informant she did not have to attend although the CP wished to lend whatever support it could to the ACLU. (C) b7D

[ ] told informant that an SCDGP educational and leadership meeting on "Labor and Political Action" was to be held for all Section and Club Education and Literature personnel. He also told informant that the SCD District Council at a recent meeting had decided to postpone the District convention until November, 1959 for the reason that there was not sufficient material or business to warrant a convention at this time. (C) b7D

On January 7, 1959, informant orally advised that though she had been unable to attend the annual New Years' Eve benefit party for the LACSJMS held December 31, 1958 at the UTRECHT's in Long Beach, both [ ] and [ ] had called regarding same. Both stated they had attended with their husbands and that 45 persons in all had attended and that the affair had netted \$82.00 for the LACSJMS. Of the 45 persons, informant without asking questions, stated she had ascertained only [ ] as the UTRECHTs, [ ]. (C) b6 b7C

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above but could add nothing further.

[ ] and MANUEL SANTANA are being indexed to this memo. (C) b6 b7C

All necessary action has been taken by the writer in this matter.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55322)

DATE: 1/15/59

FROM : SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT:

ORANGE COUNTY SECTION  
CP, USA  
IS-C

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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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| [redacted] and [redacted]<br>have furnished reliable infor-<br>mation in the past and whose<br>identities should be concealed | info. re. who meetings<br>called off | 1/6/59   | writer | [redacted] |

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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SLIP(S) OF C/Class. Section  
DATE 5/21/78 JSE/rss

The text of the informant's statement is as follows: (C)

"On 12/29/58 a meeting of the Orange County Club of the CP was scheduled to be held at the home of [redacted]. On the evening of 12/29/58 [redacted] informed [redacted] that the scheduled meeting had been [redacted] and the next meeting would be held 1/5/59. On 1/2/59 [redacted] contacted the membership of the Orange County Club of the CP and informed the membership there would be a meeting at [redacted] for the purpose of forming a chapter of the ACLU and that the scheduled meeting of the club for 1/5/59 had been [redacted]. The next meeting of the club is scheduled for 1/12/59." (C)

## ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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100-5269 (ACLU)

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) DATE: 1/15/59

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  
IS-SWP

| INFORMANT                                                                                         | ACTIVITY        | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [REDACTED]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | 1/3,4/59<br>b7D | 1/11/59  | Writer | [REDACTED] |

12-21-81  
CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 DRE/KH  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 12-21-91

Informant's report is quoted verbatim as follows: (c)

"Jan. 11, 1959  
Santa Ana, Calif.

"On Jan. 4, 1959, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] held a [REDACTED] [REDACTED] talked about  
a meeting on Jan. 3, 1959, at TED HOOKER's residence in  
Anaheim, where plans were discussed about forming an  
Orange County American Civil Liberties Union branch. (c)

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[REDACTED] said the following attended: (c)

MANUEL SANTANA  
HELEN DUGDALE

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF Classification  
DATE 8/21/78 JSP/ISS

cc: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (SI)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-47203 (H. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-56570 (T. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56569 (R. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-29455 (A. APPEL) (SI)

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100-3887 (ACLU)

100-3267-930

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TED KNOWLTON  
AL APPEL  
BURT DUGDALE  
RUTH KNOWLTON  
TED HOOKER

"SANTANA brought a neighbor couple and DUGDALES brought a daughter and son-in-law. (C)

"A representative of the ACLU was present. (C)

"She said it was decided to form a chapter in Orange County. A mailing is to be sent out to all Orange County ACLU members. A meeting will be called in a couple of weeks." (C)

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

All other necessary action in connection with the above has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM, UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375)

DATE: 1/15/59

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383-UL/HCH  
REASON-FCIM 11, 1-2.4.2, 2  
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SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  
IS-SWP

| INFORMANT  | ACTIVITY | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [REDACTED] | 1/4/59   | 1/11/59  | Writer | [REDACTED] |

who have furnished reliable info in the past and whose identities should be protected.

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follows: (C) The text of the informants' statement is as

"Jan. 11, 1959  
Santa Ana, Calif. (C)

"On Sunday, Jan. 4, 1959, there was a social gathering at the residence of [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] in Los Angeles, Calif. (C)

"Those present were: (C)

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
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DATE 8/21/78 JSP/r

cc: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
100-29455 (A. APPEL) (SI)  
100-23847 (J. CANNON) (SI)  
100-32438 (R. CANNON) (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
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100-32438 (ACLU)

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[REDACTED] )  
"During the conversation mention was made of the formation of an American Civil Liberties Union chapter in Orange County. [REDACTED] said that AL APPEL was interested in pushing it mainly to meet new radical personnel in Orange County. [REDACTED] disapproved of the idea, as did the others present. From the discussion it was apparent that AL APPEL was acting on his own initiative rather than on instructions from the SWP. (C)

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"It was mentioned by someone that ROSE and JIM CANNON are returning to Los Angeles from the desert on or about 1/18/59." (C)

ACTION: Informants were thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM, UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3276) DATE: 1/16/59

FROM : SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
IS-C

12-21-81  
CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 DRT/HK  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 2  
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | 1/3/59 | 1/6/59 | Writer | [redacted] |
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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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DATE 8/21/78 JSP/rss

The text of the informant's statement is as follows: (C)

"Jan 6, 1959 (C)

"On Sat. Jan. 3, 1959 a meeting was held at the home of MANNIE SANTANNA at 1204 Holly, Anaheim, Calif. for the purpose of forming a chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union in Orange County. The Orange County Club of the Communist Party were informed of this meeting and the members were asked to attend, by BURT DUGDALE. Those in attendance were: (C)

"BURT and HELEN DUGDALE  
THELMA LEDBETTER. (C)

cc: [redacted]

100-46678 (M. SANTANNA)  
100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-47203 (H. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-56576 (T. LEDBETTER) (SI)  
100-50269 (T. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56569 (R. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-33697 [redacted] (SI)  
100-29455 (A. APPEL) (SI)  
100-54774 [redacted]  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-55822 (ORANGE COUNTY  
SECTION, CP.)

100-23933 (MEMBERSHIP)  
100-56432 (NATIONAL GUARDIAN  
READERS FORUM) (C)

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TED and RUTH KNOWLTON  
the daughter and son-in-law of BURT and HELEN  
DUGDALE

[REDACTED]  
MANNIE SANTANNA and his wife  
[REDACTED]

TED HOOKER and his wife  
BILL CARPENTER from the Los Angeles A.C.L.U.

"MANNIE SANTANNA acted as chairman and asked BILL CARPENTER to tell about the ACLU. He stated that it was possible to form a chapter in Orange County if a group such as this would support it. He stated that there are about 100 members and that the Los Angeles group would help contact them to inform them of any meetings the Orange County chapter wanted to hold. (C)

[REDACTED] asked if there was any danger of being harassed by the police for belonging to the ACLU and if so, would the organization defend a member. Mr. CARPENTER stated that if civil liberties were being violated, they would, but he further stated that the organization was not on the Attorney Generals list and that it was not likely a member would be criticized for belonging unless by a private party or individual organization who did not understand the ACLU's function. (C)

"MANNY SANTANNA asked those present to indicate by a show of hands who would like to become members and form a chapter in Orange Co. Everyone present indicated they would become members. (C)

"Helping to form a chapter in Orange County had been discussed at a meeting of the Orange County Communist Club. The members had agreed to do so as a joint effort with the National Guardian Readers Forum. BURT stated that it would be a good place from which to recruit members for the Communist Party. (C)

"A further meeting is planned at which time the 100 members mentioned by BILL CARPENTER will be contacted. It was also discussed that students in the local colleges should be encouraged to start a chapter on their campus. [REDACTED] was mentioned as a contact at Orange Coast. (C)

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

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The following names are being indexed to this  
memo: ARLENE HEBERT, JOE HEBERT, WILLIAM WOODS,   
and BILL CARPENTER (C)

All action in connection with this memorandum  
has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM, UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3276) DATE: 1/16/59

FROM : SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
IS-C

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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 12-21-91

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| [redacted] | ACLU meeting<br>1/3/59 | 1/6/59 | Writer | [redacted] |
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follows: (C) The text of the informants' statement is as

"Jan 3, 1959 (C)

"Went to A.C.L.U. meeting held at MANUEL  
SANTANA home at 1204 Holly St. Anaheim. (C)

"Those attending were as follows: (C)

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| "BERT & HELEN DUGDALE | Los Alamitos |
| JOE & ARLEEN HEBERT   | Los Alamitos |

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| [redacted]             |         |
| MANUEL & ALICE SANTANA | Anaheim |

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cc: [redacted]

100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-47203 (H. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-33697 [redacted] (SI)  
100-29455 (A. APPEL) (SI)  
100-46678 (M. SANTANA)  
100-46679 (A. SANTANA)  
100-56576 (T. LEDBETTER) (SI)  
100-54774 [redacted]  
100-50269 (T. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56569 (R. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)

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THELMA LEDBETTER  
[redacted]

Anaheim  
[redacted]

TED & RUTH KNOWLTON

Newport Beach

TED HOOKER

Anaheim

BILL CARPENTER

ACLU Representative

"BILL CARPENTER explained what the A.C.L.U. stands for and gave the pitch. We all signed a charter so to start a chapter of the A.C.L.U. (C)

[redacted] is taking care of calls for new names of people in Anaheim to be notified & [redacted] the ones in beach area. MANUEL SANTANA and TED HOOKER [redacted] charge of Newspaper clipping about next meeting. Next meeting to be held at [redacted] on Jan 23, 1959 at 8:30." (C)

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ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter. X

JOE HEBERT, ARLENE HEBERT, WILLIAM WOODS, [redacted] and WILLIAM CARPENTER are being indexed to this memo. (C)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) DATE: 1/22/59

FROM : SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN

SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)  
IS-C

CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 URT/HCH  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 12-29-91

| INFORMANT                                                                                         | ACTIVITY                                                 | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | Executive Board meeting of Valley Chapter of WLA, 1/8/59 | 1/16/59  | Writer | [redacted] |

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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SLIP(S) OF Classification  
DATE 8/21/78 JSP/lrs

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report: (C)

Informant furnished the following handwritten

No Hollywood, Calif  
1/16/59

"I attended the board meeting of the Valley Chapter of W.L.A. at the home of SYLVIA ROSENBERG 5863 Alcove Ave., N. Hollywood on Thur Jan 8, 1959. (C)

"SONNY KRASIK Chapter president was ill and unable to attend so DOROTHY RICHNER acted as chairman (C)

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cc: [redacted]

100-56539 (P. GALLIHER)  
100-54001 (D. RICHNER)  
100-54061 (S. KRASIK)  
100-57100 (S. ROSENBERG)  
100-44971 (D. HALPERIN)  
100-56768 (E. RATLIFF)  
100-29975 (R. WAXMAN)  
100-27116 (R. HILL)  
100-53523 (G. SITKIN)  
100-44402 (S. GOLDBERG)  
100-37874 (Dr. INNERST)  
100-54823 (B. MILLER)  
100-53283 (D. BLISS)  
100-55490 (S. PRELL)  
100-55489 (F. YOSSEM)

100-35381 (M. ASHER)  
100-56990 (H. BROWN)  
100-56261 (M. LEONARD)  
62-1664 (HCUA)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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of the meeting. The minutes were read by DALE HALPERIN. EVA RATLIFF gave a treasures report. She indicated they took in \$191.00 dollars at the book review by RENA WAXMAN at the home of ROSA HILL. After expenses \$132.00 dollars was left over for the Chapter treasury. She said the treasury had over \$300.00 dollars. (C)

"GUSSIE SITKIN announced that about a thousand names had been obtained on the petitions circulated by the W.L.A. Council. The women felt this was a very poor showing. GUSSIE had obtained these figures from a phone call from STELLA GOLDBERG, Civil Liberties Chairman of the Council. (C)

"GUSSIE also said that there will be a lot of legislation of interest to the W.L.A. coming up in the near future. she said that we will have to watch this matter very closely and take action in the form of telegrams and night letters. (C)

"They discussed Material to be taken up at future general meetings and it was decided to cover the question of the recent revolt in Cuba and also go into the China situation. In fact the next speaker is to be Dr. INNERST who was a Missionary to China. It was decided to have him speak at 10:30 AM. (C)

"The main portion of the meeting was devoted to a discussion about the annual spring Membership luncheon. This is usually held in April however It was decided to hold the next one in March 1959. Various locations for this luncheon were mentioned including Pucc's and Bill Storeys restaurants. No definite decisions were made. (C)

"Those in attendance were. (C)

"DALE HALPERIN  
BLANCHE MILLER  
GUSSIE SITKIN  
PEGGIE GALLIHER  
DOROTHY BLISS  
DOROTHY RICHNER  
SUE PRELL  
SYLVIA ROSENBERG  
MIMI ASHER  
FLORENCE YOSSEM  
HARRIETT BROWN  
MINERVA LEONARD  
EVA RATLIFF

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"When business meeting was over the women stayed to discuss with HARRIETT BROWN & DOROTHY RICHNER the business these two women are starting. This is going to be a childrens clothing & gift shop and will be operated for the present from the home of one of the women. They had samples of different sizes of childrens blouses for display at the meeting. The meeting was late in getting started and lasted until midnight. I [REDACTED] after the meeting." (C)

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and furnished this additional information. She advised that the petitions she mentioned were to abolish the HCUA, and had originally been furnished by the American Civil Liberties Union. (C)

All other necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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SAC, SAN DIEGO (100-478)

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AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
San Diego Chapter  
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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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DATE 2/21/78 SSP/rss

(00: SD)

Re San Diego letter to Bureau, 12-2-58.

Relet mentioned petitions circulated by the ACLU  
of Southern California, 2363 West 9th Street, Los Angeles,  
California.

On 12-12-58, [ ] and [ ] furnished a  
report of a meeting of the San Diego County Communist Party  
(SDCCP) held 12-4-58 at the home of [ ]  
CP members, [ ] San Diego, California (C)

At the meeting, [ ] reported that on  
11-28-58 [ ] CP member, had attended a  
meeting of the Southern California District CP (SCDCP) at  
Los Angeles. At the 11-28-58 meeting [ ] learned that the  
ACLU had asked the CP to get Negro members of the Party to  
circulate petitions in the Negro churches advocating that the  
HCUA be abolished. DOROTHY HEALEY, Chairman of the SCDCP and  
member of the CP National Committee, gave [ ] and [ ]  
some of the petitions to bring to San Diego for the purpose of  
having them circulated in the San Diego area. (C)

[ ] Negro CP member, who was in attend-  
ance at the SDCCP meeting 12-4-58, interrupted and objected to  
the Chauvinistic manner of the plan for circulating the petitions  
in the Negro churches by Negro CP members. [ ] said that  
the petitions were also to be circulated at other churches and  
synagogues but [ ] would not accept this and stated  
that [ ] should have refused to take the petitions because  
of the Chauvinistic aspects surrounding the proposed method of  
circularizing them. [ ] then told the members present  
at the meeting that when she arrived back in San Diego from Los (C)

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1 - San Diego  
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Angeles with the petitions, she went to the home of MIRIAM STARCEVIC, SDCCP Chairman, to tell MIRIAM about them. [redacted] said that DAVE STARCEVIC, CP member, and husband of MIRIAM STARCEVIC, ordered her out of the house. MIRIAM STARCEVIC, in an effort to protect her husband, said that the manner in which [redacted] discussed the petitions gave DAVE the impression that [redacted] was asking that the petitions be circulated rather than that the Party had requested they be circulated. However, MIRIAM stated that DAVE got angry because he said that every time petitions or leaflets were to be passed around, the CP goes to the Negro community to circulate them, which is nothing more than white Chauvinism on the part of the CP, who should be trying to eliminate Chauvinism rather than to condone it. (c)

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[redacted] said she would not circulate the petitions because she thought they were in bad taste and she could not accept any explanation on why the ACLU wanted the CP to circulate the petitions among the Negro people. (c)

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On 1-27-58 [redacted] and [redacted] advised that as of that date the petitions had not been circulated by CP members in the San Diego area. (c)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ DATE: 1/20/59

FROM : SA LEO V. LA RUE

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES LOCAL-  
SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  
IS-SWP

| INFORMANT                                                  | ACTIVITY   | RECEIVED        | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past. | SWP letter | 12/22/58<br>b7D | Writer | [redacted] |

Informant furnished an SWP letter from [redacted]  
[redacted] LAL-SWP, which states a petition from the American Civil Liberties Union to abolish the HCUA is enclosed. It stated the SWP was helping to obtain 100,000 signatures.

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

cc: [redacted]

100-29463 (E. KOVACS)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM, UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) DATE: 2/2/59

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  
IS-SWP

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| INFORMANT  | ACTIVITY    | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [REDACTED] | (C) 1/23/59 | 1/26/59  | Writer | [REDACTED] |

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follows: ~~(X)~~ u The text of the informant's statement is as

"Jan. 26, 1959  
Santa Ana, Calif. ~~(X)~~ u

"On Friday, Jan. 23, 1959, a meeting was held at the home of [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] Calif., for the purpose of continuing plans ~~(X)~~ u

cc: [REDACTED]

100-56531 (B. DURALL) (SI) (C)  
100-56575 (G. LEDBETTER)  
100-56576 (T. LEDBETTER)  
100-56569 (R. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56570 (T. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-29455 (A. APPEL) (SI)  
100-33697 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-31658 (S. KADRI) (SI)  
100-54773 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-54774 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-46678 (M. SANTANA)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-56996 [REDACTED]  
100-56832 [REDACTED]  
100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-47203 (H. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-32762 (ACLU)

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to form an American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) branch in Orange County.

"Those present and recognized were:

"WALTER MORTON  
CHARLOTTE APPEL  
TED HOOKER  
ARCHIE LOZIER  
JERRY WOODS  
BOBBIE DURALL  
THELMA LEDBETTER's husband  
JOSEPH HEBERT  
BURT DUGDALE  
RUTH KNOWLTON  
SYED KADRI  
RIVA MORTON  
AL APPEL  
MANNY SANTANA  
JEANNETTE LOZIER  
BILL WOODS  
THELMA LEDBETTER  
RALEIGH STITT  
EILEEN HEBERT  
HELEN DUGDALE  
TED KNOWLTON  
BILL CARPENTER

"There were approximately 35 - 40 people present in all.

"MANNY SANTANA acted as chairman. An ACLU member from the San Fernando Valley talked for about 15 minutes on formation of an ACLU chapter there.

"It was decided by those present to form an ACLU chapter.

"The following volunteered for temporary committee posts:

"TED HOOKER, publicity  
JOE & EILEEN HEBERT, mailing

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] "The above committee members are to meet at on Feb. 1, 1959, to further plans.

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"Refreshments were served and the meeting was adjourned."

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

BILL WOODS, [REDACTED] BILL CARPENTER, JOSEPH HEBERT and EILEEN HEBERT are being indexed to this memo.

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All action necessary in connection with this memorandum has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) Date 2/4/59

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FROM: SA [redacted]  
SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  
IS-SWP

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| SOURCE                                                                                                      | ACTIVITY | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [redacted] and who have furnished reliable information in the past and whose identities should be concealed | 1/25/59  | 2/2/59   | writer | [redacted] |

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Informant's report is quoted as follows: (C)

"Feb 2, 1959  
Santa Ana, Calif. (C)

"On Jan. 25, 1959, [redacted] visited [redacted] at the [redacted] residence on Lake [redacted] in Los Angeles. (C)

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[redacted] is still employed as [redacted]

[redacted] who is in the process of [redacted] (C)

[redacted] is still employed as a [redacted]

[redacted] at [redacted] in [redacted] Calif. (C)

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"The [redacted] informed the [redacted] that an ACLU unit is being formed in Orange County. [redacted] said it would be a good idea for the [redacted] to work in that organization to see what was going on." (C)

cc: [redacted]

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100-3267 (ACLU)

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ACTION

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-16439)

DATE: 2/10/59

FROM : SA CLAUDE E. WILLIS, Jr.

SUBJECT: FRANK WILKINSON  
SM-C

| INFORMANT                                                                                         | ACTIVITY                   | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION        |
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | As noted below.<br><br>b7D | 1/30/59  | Writer | As noted below. |

Informant furnished the following item:

Leaflet quoting FRANK WILKINSON's statement to the HCUA hearing in Atlanta, Georgia on 7/30/58, indicating that the ACLU is furnishing legal representation, located in [redacted]

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ACTION:

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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cc: [redacted]

100-3267 (ACLU)

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 2/13/59

FROM : SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
IS-C

On 1/28/59 [ ] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with a leaflet issued by the ACLU setting forth its prospects for 1959, which sets forth 1958 membership of 4500, income \$62,000; 1950 membership of 5500, income \$75,000. Thirty per cent of the income of the local Chapter is allocated to the National Office of the ACLU in Washington, D.C. It is not indicated whether the 1959 membership and income figures are estimated or actual. This document is located in [ ]

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3276) Date 2/6/59

FROM: SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
IS-C

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| [redacted] and<br>[redacted] who | ACLU mtg.<br>1/23/59 | 1/29/59 | writer | [redacted] |
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reliable infor-  
mation in the  
past and whose  
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The text of the informant's statement is as follows:

"Went to A.C.L.U. meeting held at [redacted] home  
on [redacted] in [redacted] Those attending we knew was as  
follows:

BERT & HELEN DUGDALE  
TED & RUTH KNOWLTON  
GORDON & THELMA LEDBETTER  
JOE & ARLENE HEBERT

[redacted]  
MAX WEISS  
BIL COUPENDER A.C.L.U.

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cc:

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100-47203 (H. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-56569 (T. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56569 (R. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56575 (G. LEDBETTER) (SI)  
100-56576 (T. LEDBETTER) (SI)  
100- (JOE. HEBERT)  
100- (ARLENE HEBERT)  
100- (M. WEISS)  
100-5282 [redacted] (SI)  
100-56531 [redacted] (SI)  
100-46678 (M. SANTANA)  
100-46679 (A. SANTANA)

100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-10628 (A. APPEL) (SI)  
100-10701 [redacted] (SI)  
100-54774 [redacted] (SI)  
100-54773 [redacted] (SI)

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[REDACTED]  
MANUEL SANTANA & wife  
TED HOOKER  
[REDACTED]

"COPENDER explained the A.C.L.U. again & gave the pitch for members. The next meeting will be held at the Methodist Church in Anaheim. No date has been set for it. The committee stays the same as it was before." (S)

ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

[REDACTED] WILLIAM WOODS, BILL CARPENTER are being indexed to this memo. (S)

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267) Date 2/9/59

FROM: SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
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| [redacted] and who | ACLU Meeting 1/23/59 | 1/29/59 | writer | [redacted] |
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have furnished reliable information in the past and whose identities should be concealed

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Text of the informant's statement is as follows:

"Jan. 29, 1959

"On Friday, January 23, 1959 a meeting was held at the home of [redacted] for the purpose of organizing a chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union in Orange County. The members of the Orange County Communist Party were asked by BURT DUGDALE to attend the meeting.

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"Those attending were: BURT and HELEN DUGDALE  
JOE and ALLENE HEBERT  
TED and RUTH KNOWLTON

cc: [redacted]

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100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-47203 (H. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-50269 (T. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56569 (R. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56576 (T. LEDBETTER) (SI)  
100-56575 (G. LEDBETTER) (SI)  
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100-10701 [redacted] (SI)  
100-10628 (A. APPEL) (SI)  
100-46678 (M. SANTANA)  
100-5282 [redacted] (SI)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)

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GORDON and THELMA LEDBETTER

MANUEL SANTANA

TED HOOKER

"Others whose names are not known, and a [redacted] from [redacted] who said he had been a member for about 20 years, a student from Chapman College, [redacted] a [redacted] (sp). All together there were about 30 or 35 persons attending. (C)

[redacted] from the San Fernando Valley ACLU Chapter discussed the organization of chapters and answered questions. BILL CARPENTER from Los Angeles also answered questions. [redacted] (sp) asked if the ACLU were still on the Attorney General's list. He stated that when he was in the service there was a list passed around and that the ACLU was on it. He was informed by [redacted] that Communists were not on the board and that it stated in the principles that the ACLU needs and welcomes the support of all those-and only those-whose devotion to civil liberties is not qualified by adherence to Communists, Facist, KKK or other totalitarian doctrine. BURT DUGDALE stated that in his opinion any organization that had done any good had earned its place on the Attorney Generals list. (C)

"An executive board was set up on a temporary bases. MANUEL SANTANA [redacted] were some who will serve until an election can be held. A Methodist minister has offered his church as a meeting place. (C)

"People will be notified when the next meeting will be held." (C)

ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016) b6  
FROM : SA [REDACTED] b7C

DATE: 2/10/59

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE  
AMERICAN FREEDOMS  
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| [REDACTED]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be concealed | 1/3/59,<br>Letter from<br>FRANK WILKINSON<br><br>b7D | 1/13/59  | Writer | [REDACTED] |

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The above letter is quoted as follows: (c)

"Jan. 3, 1959 (c)

"CLARK FOREMAN  
Emergency Civil Liberties Committee  
Care of: Hotel Carroll  
Washington, D.C.

"CLARK:

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
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"By Monday, Jan. 5, AM we should have 500 Night Letter--  
Telegrams out of Los Angeles to our Congressmen; where the member of  
Congress is considered too conservative to be helpful, the message will

cc: 2 - New York (REGISTERED)  
(CLARK FOREMAN)  
(ECLC)

3 - Washington Field (REGISTERED)  
(RUSS NIXON)  
(CLARK FOREMAN)  
(ECLC)

[REDACTED] b7D  
100-16439 (F. WILKINSON)  
100-43681 (D. MARSHALL)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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"go to Speaker RAYBURN. These telegrams will come as the result of intensive telephone follow up on our letter on Dec. 27th being made today and tomorrow. Every liberal organization here which we can reach today has been advised that RAYBURN is supporting WALTER's proposal to reorganize and expand the HUAC; the information has provided added incentive. In general, our suggestion has been: 'Abolish the HUAC; don't reorganize and expand it;' however, where there is opportunity to go into detail, we are urging messages dealing specifically with the denial of subpoena power to any reorganization efforts attempted by WALTER and RAYBURN. Our timing here is based upon the Monday - Tuesday meetings of the Liberal and Democratic caucus. (C)

"In addition, we hope that there has been a certain amount of letter writing to Congressmen in this area, growing out of our Dec. 27th letter and its Washington Post editorial reprint. This was a 6000 mailing; further, DOROTHY MARSHALL, as our Chairman, has sent out a personally signed, but mimeographed letter to every member of the House of Representatives - these should have been received by yesterday. (C)

"Our ACLU has written personal letters as of yesterday to the So. Calif. Congressional delegation, announcing that 8,596 signatures for the 'elimination of the HUAC' had been received as of Jan. 1, and were continuing to come in; they were advised that each signature had been assigned to the Congressional District of origin; they were advised of the number of signers in their individual district, and that all signatures would be available for their study in Congressman ROOSEVELT's office. At the rate petitions continue to come in here and at the ACLU office, we estimate that ROOSEVELT will have well over 10,000 signatures to work with. The ACLU has also drafted for ROOSEVELT's use a Resolution to Congress which combines the a) elimination of the HUAC with b) a 'First Amendment protecting' direction to the House Judiciary Committee to 'study the need for further legislation to control overt acts to overthrow the government by force and violence; and, further legislation to protect the civil rights' of Negroes and others in the South. (C)

"In addition, the ACLU has today wired ROOSEVELT to the effect that over 9,000 signatures are now in hand and that they have (ACLU has) written all Democratic Members from So. Calif., urging them to support ROOSEVELT in his Resolution. (C)

"Further, ACLU is contacting 150 key community leaders in Los Angeles on Monday and Tuesday, urging them to wire or telephone their Congressman not later than Tuesday night. (C)

"The excellent Providence Evening Bulletin Editorial arrived here too late to be used. (C)

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"/s/ FRANK WILKINSON  
Secretary

"cc: RUSS NIXON

"P.S. The references to ACLU work above are confidential." (c)

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

Index: JAMES ROOSEVELT. (c)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016) DATE: 2/5/59

FROM: SA [REDACTED] b6 b7C

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO  
PRESERVE AMERICAN  
FREEDOMS (CCPAF)  
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REASON: FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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c/c:

1 - Atlanta (FRANK WILKINSON) - REGISTERED  
1 - Mobile (AUBREY WILLIAMS) - REGISTERED  
1 - Newark (EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE) - REGISTERED  
4 - New York (EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE) - REGISTERED  
(ROWLAND WATTS) (NATIONAL AMERICAN  
CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION) (ERNEST ANGEL)  
2 - Washington Field (CLARK FOREMAN) (EMERGENCY - REGISTERED  
CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE)

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100-43681 (D. MARSHALL) (SI)  
100-16439 (F. WILKINSON) (SI)  
100-42713 (E. MONROE)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-24642 (S. FRITCHMAN)  
100-33973 (COMINFIL, FIRST  
UNITARIAN CHURCH)  
100-31229 (USFJ)  
100-24225 (SOUTHLAND JEWISH  
ORGANIZATION)  
100-1783 (LACFPB)  
100-32634 (R. KONIGSBERG)  
100-33336 (L. SPERBER)  
100-20485 (E. MOSK)  
100-19548 (B. MARGOLIS)  
100-34639 (M. CLARKE)  
100-7378 (B. ELCONIN)  
100-46782 (P. KERBY)  
100-48513 (G. COWELL)  
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100-25133 (E. WAGNER)  
100-43513 (WLA)  
100-28015 (V. SHAPIRO)

(c)  
100-31513 (T. NELSON)  
100-33534 (J. CLEWE)  
100-33466 (B. CLEWE)  
100-45843 (E. KATZ)  
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who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.

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"Minutes of the Meeting  
CCPAF Executive Board  
Jan. 5, 1959 - 7:30 PM

"Chairman: DOROTHY MARSHALL

"#1. Minutes of the Executive Board meeting of Dec. 1, 1958, were read by DRU BAETEKE, Executive Board Secretary, and approved.

"#2. New York - Princeton Summaries: Dorothy Marshall, Frank Wilkinson

"CLARK FOREMAN reports that ECLC has now established a Washington, D.C. headquarters. A weekly legislative bulletin service will commence Jan. 10. Also, Los Angeles may send requests for information. (C)

"The Chairman reported that she attended the ECLC Executive Board meeting and that they have prepared a good program for 1959. The results, however, will depend up instrumentation of same. As ECLC is raising its own budget of \$94,000, without financial contribution from CCPAF, CCPAF would do best to refrain from further 'breast-beating' and confine its efforts to pushing ECLC from time to time. (C)

"The Chairman and Secretary attended the ECLC National Council meeting. There was criticism expressed concerning lack of political activity by ECLC in support of the Abolition campaign, and discussion regarding responsibility for such inactivity. The Secretary commented on the effective contributions made by the CCPAF Chairman in all these discussions. (C)

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"The Chairman and Secretary attended meetings in Philadelphia, New York, and New Haven; interviewed 2 congressmen and several editors; spoke by phone with a Congressman from Vermont, and civil liberties leaders in Boston. The Chairman spoke at the Bill of Rights dinner (500 people attending); also at the Foreign Born dinner, and at a Women's meeting in Long Island, with very good results. The Secretary shares the conclusions of the Chairman. (C)

"The Secretary reported that he and the Chairman attended a private meeting in Princeton, at which time he was served with a warrant for contempt of Congress. This indicates that his movements have been under surveillance by the Dept. of Justice. This meeting was attended by a group of prominent men in scientific, cultural, and ecclesiastical circles. They prepared a public statement on the abolition of the HUAC to be presented to Congress. This statement has now been signed by 20 or more prominent people, including Mrs. ELEANOR ROOSEVELT. The Washington Post is publishing this statement as an ad on Jan. 7, and copies will be sent to Congressmen. (C)

"The Secretary reported that AUBREY WILLIAMS does not intend to move to Washington, D.C. (C)

"#3. PETITION REPORT - FRANK WILKINSON (C)

"The Secretary reported on the final results of the ACLU petitions campaign. EASON MONROE is very happy over the outcome of the Los Angeles campaign, although somewhat disappointed with the National office of ACLU for their lack of positive support. With 10,000 signatures now on hand, and additional petitions coming in, the final results will be 12,000 or more signatures, including the petitions for which CCPAF was directly responsible. (C)

"A resolution has been drafted by [ ] for Congressman ROOSEVELT to present Congress. The completed petitions will be kept in Congressman ROOSEVELT's office for inspection by the other Southern California Congressmen. (C) b6 b7C

"The Secretary believes that the success of this campaign demonstrates that people are ready to sign petitions for abolition of the HUAC. General discussion followed during (C)

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"which many opinions were offered concerning the response of the public to this campaign. (C)

"Dr. FRITCHMAN believes that it is unrealistic to think success of the Abolition campaign can be won on the first shot, and that liberals should not be thrown off base. Even without winning, progress has been made in creating a favorable climate. (C)

"#4. CLARK FOREMAN has reported to CCPAF that there is a possibility of the formation of a new House Committee, with wider powers, to investigate in the area of passports, immigration, and naturalization, under the chairmanship of Congressman WALTER. This danger has been met in Los Angeles with a campaign of letters, wires, and telephone calls, from local groups including CCPAF, ACLU, and Unitarian Church, USFJ, SJO, Foreign Born, Democratic Clubs, ILWU, and organizations of teachers, social workers, subpoenaees, etc. (C)

"#5. KONIGSBERG MEETING - KONIGSBERG and DOROTHY MARSHALL (C)

"A hearing on the Konigsberg case will be held before the State Supreme Court in Los Angeles on Jan. 14, in the State Bldg. at 9:15 AM. It was agreed that a selected group of people should be notified and asked to be present. The meeting sponsored by CCPAF for KONIGSBERG will be postponed until the decision following this hearing is given by the State Supreme Court. (C)

"#6. LAURENCE SPERBER reported that the ANN GINGER meeting which he, in cooperation with the Chairman and Secretary, sponsored, was overwhelmingly successful. KONIGSBERG's attorney, EDWARD MOSK, spoke at this gathering. (C)

"#7. FINANCIAL REPORT: RAPHAEL KONIGSBERG, Treasurer

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| "Balance in Bank         | \$372.72        |
| Bills & salaries pending | <u>\$514.40</u> |

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| "Total deficit as of 1/5/59 | \$141.68 |
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"Full report attached. (C)

"Present financial situation was explained by the heavy expense of 3 ACLU petition mailings within 30 days at cost of \$800 - \$1000. At the present time the monthly overhead is \$150 more than the \$525 sustainers being received. A bookkeeping mistake of \$300 due to an unsigned check being deposited and credited twice, contributed to the present emergency. (C)

"It was the consensus of opinion that it is bad organizational policy for the Secretary to withhold his own salary when the bank balance is low. (C)

#8. M/S/C That the Secretary's salary be continued during his forthcoming absence in Atlanta, and to advance expenses for the trip. That a letter be sent to a selected list of our most active supporters informing them that FRANK WILKINSON has gone to Atlanta, Ga. for trial, that ACLU is servicing him legally and that CCPAF will assume the cost of his living expenses. Also that the CCPAF office will be kept open during the Secretary's absence and that the Chairman will coordinate affairs during his absence. This mailing not to exceed 25 letters. (C)

#9. The suggestion of a private fund raising party to be held Friday Jan. 9, was unanimously approved. Details for this will be handled by a volunteer committee. Volunteers were also requested for fund-raising committee to solve the problem of the general financial shortage. (C)

"The Secretary stated that CCPAF has depended upon him to do the fund-raising to keep CCPAF going. He attributed his failure to raise funds for the recent mailings, to his absence from the city for 12 days, the recent holiday period, and his own temporary low state of morale. However, since New Years he has obtained a \$50 contribution from a friend in Palm Springs, and also an advance of \$350, through attorney MARGOLIS, from the anticipated contribution of CCPAF from the Becker estate. (C)

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"The Board unanimously feels that there has been too much dependance on the Secretary and that funds must be raised by the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee will meet next week to get the financial situation straightened out. (C)

"#10. A Program-evaluation Committee is to be appointed by the Chairman to meet when the Secretary returns, to develop recommendations for the next Board meeting on Feb. 2. Representatives from other groups may be asked to participate later. (C)

"#11. The Secretary reported that the ACLU has rarely taken a case in the lower courts, and have not as yet been able to find a lawyer in Atlanta to handle his defense. ROWLAND WATTS, of the National ACLU, is expected to come to Atlanta. ERNEST ANGEL, Chairman of the National ACLU, may assist in the Appellate Courts. (C)

"EASON MONROE has indicated that if the National ACLU is unable to take care of the travel expense to Georgia, that the local ACLU may be able to assist. Also, letters from the Southern Conference Educational Fund indicate that they will try to help financially. (C)

"#12. M/S/C That the Executive Board express support of the Secretary, wish him success and a speedy return. (C)

"#13. The Secretary reminded the Executive Board that copies of the FBI Nation reprints are still on sale in the office. A mailing to the general non-Nation reading community will be undertaken when funds are available. (C)

"#14. Meeting adjourned at 10 PM. Next meeting Feb. 2, 1959. (C)

"AGENDA  
CCPAF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (C)  
January 5, 1959  
7:30 to 9:00 P.M.

"1) Roster: An attendance roster is available for signature at the door. (C)

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"2) MINUTES: Minutes of 12/1/58: DRU BAETKE, Secretary to Executive Committee. (Minutes were mailed to Minutes Committee: WEYMOUTH, COWELL and MARSHALL; copies: SHAPIRO and FRITCHMAN). (C)

"3) NEW YORK - PRINCETON TRIP SUMMARIES: DOROTHY MARSHALL, FRANK WILKINSON. (C)

"4) FBI NATION RE-PRINT: 55 copies sold to date at 50¢ Urge more sales at meeting! Secretary will organize mailing with covering letter to 300 selected community leaders. (As per Minutes of 11/10/58). (C)

"5) PETITION REPORT: FRANK WILKINSON. (C)

"6) NIGHT LETTERS TO WASHINGTON 1/3, 4/59 & PRESS RELEASE: DOROTHY MARSHALL: Report on Foreman call. FRANK WILKINSON: Report on Night letters sent. (C)

"7) KONIGSBERG MEETING: Report by MARY CLARKE (if absent: RAPHAEL KONIGSBERG & DOROTHY MARSHALL). (C)

"8) FINANCIAL REPORT: RAPHAEL KONIGSBERG, Treasurer. (C)

"Fund Raising Recommendation: DOROTHY MARSHALL. (C)

- A. Volunteers for Fund Raising Committee.
- B. Acceptance of Individual Quotas - To Be Raised within 2 weeks: 1/19/59. (C)

"DISCUSSION

"9) CCPAF PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1959: (C)

"Recommendation: DOROTHY MARSHALL: That the Executive Committee approve the appointment of a 'Program Evaluation Committee' to meet after Congress Convenes & the State Legislative Session Convenes, to draw up recommendations for CCPAF's program to be presented to the next meeting of the Executive Board: February 2, 1959. (C)

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"Nominations: MARSHALL; ELCONIN; KERBY; COWELL;  
FRITCHMAN; KISCHNES; INNERST; CLARKE;  
SPERBER; WAGNER; and volunteers.  
(Committee should invite representa-  
tives from ACLU, WLA, SJO, LACFPB,  
etc. to participate in the  
preparation of recommendations.

"Interim: The Chairman and Secretary should  
be authorized to take appropriate  
actions depending on actions in  
Congress on 1/7/59, etc.

"DISCUSSION

"10) SECRETARY'S ABSENCE: (1/12 to 1/4,15; or  
1/19 or 1/20,21:)

- "A. Volunteers for Office Supervision:  
DOROTHY MARSHALL
- "B. ACLU, nationally, is giving legal  
services, and it is anticipated that  
they will provide travel and living  
expenses; if not, LA ACLU has proffered  
help, as well as the Southern Conference  
Educational Fund
- "C. The secretary requests leave of absence  
(without pay) for the period of arraigh-  
ment and trial.

"11) OTHER BUSINESS

"12) Next Meeting: February 2, 1959 - MONDAY.

"CCPAF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, Jan. 5, 1959

"ROSTER OF ATTENDANCE:

"DOROTHY MARSHALL  
FRANK WILKINSON  
R. KONIGSBERG  
VIC SHAPIRO

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"STEPHEN FRITCHMAN  
THOMAS NELSON  
JOHN & BELLE CLEWE  
ELI KATZ  
L. SPERBER  
WM. ELCONIN  
ELEANOR WAGNER  
JANET STEVENSON  
RUTH BISHOP  
MONA CHESTER (vol) 1421 S. Orange Grove, LA 19  
WE 4-2793  
ELNA VANDERGoot  
JERRY HALL"

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed  
and could add nothing further to the  
above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo  
has been taken by the writer.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 2/13/59

FROM : SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
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On 1/21/59 [redacted] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with an undated letter from the American Civil Liberties Union announcing a Chapter Conference 2/7/59, at the Mayfair Hotel, 1256 West 7th Street, Los Angeles. Attached to the letter is a special bulletin calling attention to the fact that the California State Supreme Court would hear arguments in the RAPHAEL KOENIGSBERG case and in other cases on 1/14/59. This document is located in [redacted]

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cc: [redacted]

100-32634 (R. KOENIGSBERG)

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-56995)

DATE: 2/13/59

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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DATE OF REVIEW 12-29-97  
Per [REDACTED]SUBJECT: ECHO PARK NATIONAL GUARDIAN READERS CLUB  
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| INFORMANT                                                                                      | ACTIVITY                              | RECEIVED      | AGENT  | LOCATION       |
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On 2/5/59, [REDACTED] furnished the writer with an announcement which read as follows:

"Echo Park - Silverlake  
Guardian Readers Club

"Dr. EASON MONROE - Executive Director,  
American Civil Liberties Union-  
Southern California Branch.

"Will speak on --

"Education in America -

"For what? By whom?

"Friday, Feb. 6, 1959 -- 8:15 P.M.

"1562 Curran St. NO 2-1964

cc: [REDACTED] (C)

100-42713 (E. MONROE)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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"(Go  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles North of Sunset Blvd on Echo Park Ave. Turn right at Curran St.)

"Donation: 50 cents.

Public Invited.

"\*Hear:

"Dr. ANNETTE T. RUBINSTEIN

"The Beat Generation  
and The Third Party."

"Sun. Feb. 22, 1959 8:00 P.M.  
Embassy Auditorium Los Angeles"

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

ANNETTE T. RUBENSTEIN is being indexed to this memo.

All other necessary action in connection with the above has been taken by the writer.

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SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP)  
IS-SWP

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On 1/21/59 [redacted] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with a copy of the American Civil Liberties Union petition calling for the elimination of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, which was received in the mail by informant, wrapped in a blank letterhead of the SWP. These documents are located in [redacted]

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016)

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SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE  
AMERICAN FREEDOMS (CCPAF)  
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(S)  
On 1/21/59 [redacted] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with a letter dated 12/27/58, from the CCPAF, which called attention to the American Civil Liberties Union-sponsored petition to Congress "to eliminate the Committee on Un-American Activities." Attached is a reprint of an editorial appearing in the "Washington Post," December, 1958, approving abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA). Included is an envelope bearing the return address of the CCPAF requesting contributions to help establish the HCUA. These documents are located in [redacted] b7D

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cc: [redacted] b7D

100-43681 (D. MARSHALL)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016) DATE: 2/10/59

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE  
AMERICAN FREEDOMS (CCPAF)  
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The above letter is quoted as follows: (C)

"October 3, 1958 (C)

"AIR MAIL  
SPECIAL DELIVERY

"HARVEY O'CONNOR  
EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE (C)  
Little Compton,  
Rhode Island

"Dear HARVEY:

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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"This is timed to be in your hands for the information  
of the ECLC Executive Committee on Monday, October 6. A carbon  
has also been dispatched to CLARK in New York. (C)

ccs: [REDACTED]  
1 - Newark (REGISTERED)  
(HARVEY O'CONNOR)  
2 - New York (REGISTERED) b7D  
(ECLC)  
(ACLU)  
100-45724 (H. O'CONNOR)  
100-16439 (F. WILKINSON)  
100-43681 (D. MARSHALL)  
100-31229 (UFSJ)  
100-43513 (WLA)  
100-24225 (SJO)

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"We've been working hard. We've been thinking hard, consulting with an unusually wide group of organizational leaders. The program below represents that part of our planning which we're now ready to carry out. We have other plans which are slowly taking form and will be communicated to you all as soon as we're in agreement on them ourselves. (C)

"First, let me comment on your letter of the 26th:

1) So you're in 4th place after TRUMAN, BYRNES and TOM CLARK, - you're still 1st with us! 2) HARRY BARNARD's column is a most helpful ally, especially when he has an O'CONNOR to eulogize. 3) Sorry we didn't get the types out of the telephoned version of your statement; only one call has come in which had noted it, and, many people here are now most conscious of your courageous stand. 4) We will continue to press the ABOLITION campaign, as you suggest, the country over; I've been writing hard and fast on the program proposals below to the various national contacts which we have; also, and most important, our magnificent ACLU is not only publicizing its own good work to ACLU affiliates over the country, but urging same 'to go now and do likewise'. (C)

"There are less than 5 weeks until the election. Obviously, every possible effort should be made, prior to the election, to obtain commitments of any kind from all Congressional candidates. -I have found that this has not been done in even some of the most obviously interested organizations. We will guarantee this in the ACLU, numerous Democratic Party Clubs, church social action committees and several community organizations. (C)

"The prospects are not too bright. None of our liberal Southern California Democrats has as yet come even close to a commitment to introduce the all-important Resolution to amend the House Rules and rescind the HCUA's mandate. Although the Republican opponent of JAMES ROOSEVELT signed the ACLU ad, JIMMY still tells delegations that the Committee should be transferred to the Judiciary, 'but timing is important and you all should get other Congressmen to take the lead on this thing!'; it is difficult to believe; he has sure-fire support in his District for an all-out ABOLITION stand. - On the other hand, Congressmen KING and HOLIFIELD to date have said nothing; and, the other 'liberal' in (C)

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"Los Angeles County, CLYDE DOYLE (PHIL KERBY calls him the Committee's URIAH HEEP), won both the Republican and Democratic nominations in the Primaries. (C)

"It is doubtful that there will be any Congressional upsets in the other Districts here, although a lot of work is being done in that direction; IRVING GLASBAND is trying to unseat JOE HOLT; GLASBAND has come out flatly all over the 22nd District here for outright ABOLITION; there are now 18,000 more Democrats than Republicans in the District, but HOLT took 20,000 more votes over-all in the Primaries (You can see how cross filing continues to cloud our politics!). We are activating a lot of our friends in the District, including former subpoenaes, Progressive Party leaders, et al, to try and show that a stand for ABOLITION can pay off. BOB KENNY lives in and is most active in this campaign; I'm meeting at 8 A.M. Sunday morning (the hours here just now are crazy) with the campaign manager for GLASBAND and others, to work out some real political action in this District during the last 4 weeks. \* In two other Districts, the 20th - SMITH (R) and 15th - MC DONOUGH - (R), there is a remote chance of an up-set, with liberal Democrats the possible victors. (C)

"Specifically, in addition to delegations to candidates from CCPAF, directly, we have started both the ACLU and UFSJ on 8 to 10 visitations each; neither would have moved if we had not pressed. We also, I'm sure, will have our terrific WLA, the Southland Jewish Organization and a number of the more liberal minded Democratic Clubs moving on ABOLITION delegations within a week. The rest will come hard, but, come November 4 we will have burned ourselves out in multiple efforts to get labor, church, Negro and Mexican-American organizations moving. (C)

"Our Pre-Election Action Meeting on Tuesday night, October 1st, was most worthwhile. We had no speeches and lots of floor discussion. It was a delegation planning night. I think DOROTHY MARSHALL deserves enormous credit for being able to bring the Director of our ACLU, a vice-chairman of our State Young Democrats, and a subpoenae from the 'summer class of 1958' all around the table together; the audience was fine and included such academic leaders as Professor JOHN CAUGHEY, the Resolutions Chairman of the national AAUP; etc. (C)

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"Enclosed are some of our newest action material, and some from the ACLU. The ACLU ad, with its impressive list of signers, is just about the finest advance yet. DOROTHY's report on the the recent hearings further reflects her ability to keep up the editorial paper work while simultaneously engaging all her energies in organizing group action. (C)

"Our real efforts, subject to approval at our Board meeting which is also scheduled for Monday night, is set for after the election, and reflects the most advance liason which we've been able to establish with our ACLU. (C)

"The ACLU here, after the most careful discussion, has agreed to launch a 'mass' petition for ABOLITION, immediately after the Election, and culminating on Bill of Rights Week in December. While this will be carried on in all 12 of our Congressional Districts, it will be concentrated in those few where we feel that a 'mandate from the people' will actually have some effect. The petition will be officially sponsored by ACLU and will be limited to 25 to 50 word request for introduction of the ABOLITION Resolution on January 6. At the top of each Petition will be the names of as many of the prominent community figures as possible who signed the August ad (enclosed); below will be the space for the names and addresses of the public signers - it will be collected according to separate Congressional Districts. If successful, the petitions will be presented officially to as many of the Congressmen as possible at a major ACLU Bill of Rights Dinner in December. (C)

"All community organizations will be urged by the ACLU to join them in this petition drive. The leadership will be carried by the ACLU Chapters. Democratic Clubs, social action church groups, community organizations, etc. will all be invited to participate in the campaign. A Legislative Conference on November 15 will formally launch the petition campaign. (C)

"The Citizens Committee, as one of the participating community groups, will devote its full energies to support this ACLU initiative. In addition, I am serving as a member of the ACLU Legislative Committee which planned the idea and on the sub-committee which will prepare and press the petition itself; my participation in this sense, of course, is in the capacity of an ACLU Chapter member. (C)

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"We know this is ambitious. We are not sure that we shall succeed, but feel that it is the thing that must be done in every community that really means to see this damnable Committee ABOLISHED. ROOSEVELT et al must know that we can back up our demands with 'x' thousand signed constituents!!! (c)

"Now, if you think this is in the right direction, could ECLC do the same thing, and better, in its own auspices in a dozen or more Congressional Districts in New York? Or, are you having better luck in your Congressional visits and obtained a Congressman who will commit himself to introduce the Resolution? (c)

"Our ACLU will soon communicate the plan to other ACLU affiliates, and we are communicating the proposal to every Congressional District contact we have in the country, where there is the slightest possibility of a break through. (c)

"Should we make the traction that we aim to make on this, then we should consider A Washington lobby on the days before January 6, to press for just as much as we may have won by then; then, after we see that we've won, if anything, we can plan our strategy right then and there for the balance of 1959. But - that is for the future weeks ahead. First we must press our program on candidates and then back up our talk with sizeable petitions from the constituencies where we've got the potential strength. (c)

"I can just hear the comments there about 'another of FRANK's long letters', but just think of how fortunate you all are to be reading or hearing it again from 3,000 miles away. (c)

"Just as soon as I can get to it, I plan to send in my personal evaluation and criticism of my year with you all in ECLC. Right now, as the lyric has it, 'it's time to organize!' (c)

"Best to all,

"Affectionately, (c)

"FRANK WILKINSON  
Secretary"

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ACTION

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 2/13/59

FROM : SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES  
UNION (ACLU)  
IS-C

On 1/21/59 [redacted] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with a letter dated 1/5/59, from the ACLU, 2863 West 9th Street, Los Angeles, calling attention to the fact that Congressman JAMES ROOSEVELT would introduce his resolution in Congress to eliminate the HCUA on Wednesday, 1/7/59. The letter requested wires to ROOSEVELT and other Congressmen urging their support of ROOSEVELT's resolution. This document is located in [redacted] b7D

cc: [redacted]

62-1664 (HCUA)  
HRO:srb  
(3) *Srs*

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016) DATE: 2/10/59

FROM: SA [REDACTED] b6  
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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE CLASS. & TT. BY 6383 OR 1 K4  
AMERICAN FREEDOMS (CCPAF) REASON-FCIM 11, 1-2.4.2-2  
IS-C DATE OF REVIEW 12-31-91

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The above letter is quoted as follows: (C)

"SPECIAL DELIVERY

"November 26, 1958

"HARVEY O'CONNOR  
Little Compton,  
Rhode Island

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"Dear HARVEY:

"This is being written hurriedly before leaving  
for a week end of meetings on the abolition campaign in the  
Bay area. We have been in contact with LOUIS HARTMAN, the

ccs: [REDACTED]

- 1 - Newark (REGISTERED)  
(HARVEY O'CONNOR)
- 1 - New York (REGISTERED)  
(ECLC)
- 1 - San Francisco (REGISTERED)  
(LOUIS HARTMAN)
- 100-43681 (D. MARSHALL)
- 100-16439 (F. WILKINSON)
- 100-45724 (H. O'CONNOR)
- 100-3267 (ACLU)

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"1st post=WATKINS First - June 19, 1957, in Berkeley, California; it is just possible that he will give the long needed leadership which our work requires up there. (C)

"I have had to sacrifice better communication with you all during the past few weeks, in order to do all that we have found possible to do in support of our ACLU's petition. Thanks for your two letters and the news regarding ECLC's planning. (C)

"DOROTHY MARSHALL and I felt that the best and most constructive contribution we could make toward ECLC's National Council meeting would be: 1) to try and demonstrate in our own town how much could be accomplished in the way of direct political action for the ABOLITION of the HCUA; and 2) to assemble and mail a variety of materials which have been developed here recently. By this time, you may have received the mailing; we also sent it to every member of the National Council for whom we had addresses. (C)

"As you will note in the covering letter, we feel that the major development here has been the ACLU petition. As urged in my letter of October 3, we had hoped that ECLC would carry on under its own auspices, a similar concrete form of political action in New York City or elsewhere. As things are going now, we doubly wish that parallel actions were being culminated at this point in other parts of the country. ACLU - nationally - will not move on this action unless they feel the pressure for such action from other organizations. We are concerned, on the contrary, that the inability to get real political action on the abolition campaign going elsewhere in the country in the form of petition campaigns, delegations, etc., may tend to isolate the effective leadership of our local ACLU. (C)

"We still have 19 days to go on our local petition campaign. It is too early to judge how successful we may be in terms of quantity of signatures. However, we have already won the most significant reach into the previously non-committed areas of the community that has been achieved here in 10 or more years. (C)

"Examples that can be cited are exciting: 1) the prominence of the lead names on the petition (for identification, see covering letter from DOROTHY and me to the National Council); (C)

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"2) Supervisor JOHN ANSON FORD, the most distinguished senior politician in this area (and, incidentally, my Father's closest friend and the man who started me on the road to political action when I returned from my travels 20 years ago), has agreed to be publicized in support of the petition campaign; as late as September, he refused to have his name in ACLU's Los Angeles Times ad; 3) The Methodist board of Christian social relations has met, approved and mailed 750 copies of the petition to key Methodist laymen here in the Southland; 4) two other prominent Protestant laymen and a very prominent Rabbi are doing a mailing this week-end to all leading Protestant churches and synagogues; 5) JOSEPH WYATT, the president of our California Democratic Council (the Club movement), went before the CDC last week-end in Fresno and secured authorization to mail several thousand more of these petitions to every Democratic Club leader in Southern California (they did not, however, officially take a stand one way or another); ROBERT CLARK, the president of our Greater Los Angeles Council of the CIO, failed in his efforts during the last three days to get national CIO approval to his request to mail the petition out to all CIO locals here; he is still trying, and he and the head of our Amalgamated Clothing Workers and another labor leader in the Communication Workers are trying to get a resolution through the CIO - AFL merger meetings in San Francisco on December 6th, to support the ACLU petition; and so it goes: if we had another month to work we could really make progress for ABOLITION in our town. (C)

"Our Committee's work in all of this will be of interest to you: 1) we did an initial mailing of 5,500 copies of the petition on November 7th - 3 days after the election (the time we needed to get the election results registered on the petition copy which was already ready to run at the printers; 2) we contacted other community organizations to do parallel mailings, including the Women for Legislative Action, the Unitarian Church's UFSJ, the Southern California Jewish Organization, ILWU, UE and 500 rank and filers within the AFL and CIO; 3) we are doing today, Thanksgiving and Friday, another 5,500 mailing 'reminder - only 15 more days' type of notice; 4) we are presently working up the organization for a 5,000 phone call campaign on the petition - between December 3 and 12; 5) we also began addressing today for a 3rd 5,500 mailing to go out on December 15th, calling in the petitions; (C)

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"6) all of the groups of past subpoenas have been organized and received special mailings from their own leadership - who continue to serve on our Executive Committee -; etc. (C)

"Personally, we are building and widening the bridge we enjoy with ACLU here. As I mentioned in my October letter, I serve on both the ACLU Legislative Committee and on the sub-committee which developed the petition campaign (for your private information, I drafted the initial petition and the supporting arguments on its reverse). ALAN BARTH came over to our apartment for dinner following one of his three splendid talks here for the ACLU; it's too bad we were not able to draw him more directly in the initial phases of the the abolition campaign last year - he was on vacation when I visited ROBERT ESTABROOK at the Washington Post at the beginning of my work with ECLC; he certainly strikes me as a good and courageous voice within the ACLU - no one could have spoken more eloquently in support of the petition campaign here, and its meaning as a counter-offensive against the almost certain new attack upon the Supreme Court's decisions in the new Congress.

\* There are also negative aspects of the ACLU bridge building relationships: there are some within ACLU who fear our Committee, me, and our support, but they are a decided minority; we are endeavoring to conduct ourselves in such a way as not to yield one small fraction of an inch on the principle fight of 'association' - and just let our 'deeds' rather than our 'reputations' be the measure of our character. We shall see what we shall see: if things continue as they are at present, I believe that we are clearly now within sight of the day when our ad hoc or emergency basis can terminate, and each of us can then continue as volunteers within our ACLU; it has been a long, hard and self-minimizing road, but we seem to be winning the secondary objective of restoring our ACLU into a fighting, principled and un-compromising organization. The primary objective - at least for our CCPAF - the ABOLITION of the HCUA - may soon be fought entirely within the ranks of ACLU. (C)

"Now, a word about our pre-election program, also outlined in general in my letter of October 3: 1) we were able to have every congressional candidate contacted - many times - on the question of ABOLITION. We concentrated, so far as delegations were concerned, on ROOSEVELT; he is still frightfully weak, but he most certainly knows that all kinds of his constituents want this damnable Committee abolished; it will take national parallels to our petition campaign before he

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"will really take a leading role for ABOLITION; our own petition, incidentally, is to be presented to him - with a request that he hold the signatures available for the study of the other members of Southern California's Congressional delegation; 2) we found only one candidate, IRVING GLASBAND in the 22nd (against JOE J. HOLT), who committed himself in advance of the election for ABOLITION of the HCUA, and, therefore, eligible for our political support; we did the following: a) an 18,000 hand addressed mailing; b) covered 49 precincts with door to door visits and 12 others by phone, including looking up the phone numbers, or a total of 61 precincts - out of 161 covered all told; c) we raised approximately \$500 in campaign funds; and d) mostly we awakened into political action literally scores of liberals and progressives and Communists et al who had been sitting out politics for too many years. At the end of the campaign we received a letter from the campaign manager, saying, 'had we the good sense to come to you a little sooner, we might have tasted victory' (GLASBAND lost by 10,000, but did twice and more better than anybody but us thought possible). (C)"

"Before closing, I want to share a little news regarding finances: Our monthly overhead is now approximately \$675; our monthly sustainers during the course of the past 90 days have jumped from \$260 to \$498.50, with the average around \$3 per month and the two largest: \$25 per month. Each project, like these ACLU petition mailings, are raised separately, as part of the project; we believe that our sustainers will equal the \$675 overhead by January 1. (C)"

"Our volunteers are simply magnificent: we now have 12 of what we call 'permanent volunteers', who put in from 4 to 12 hours regularly each week, keeping the office jobs covered from 8:30 A.M. to 5 P.M., Monday through Friday, a half day on Saturday, and one regular evening each week. In addition, we have approximately 50 volunteers who come in for 2 hours or more once a month on the 'project' jobs. (C)"

"This letter is just mercilessly long, but I do need the feeling of communication with you, and regret the breakdown of communication from this end during our intensive drives of recent weeks. I am sorry that I have not been able to undertake my promised evaluation and criticism of my year and more (C)"

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"With ECLC. Possibly it is just as well, although I have been anxious to set forth in some detail exactly where I think we did well, and, exactly why I found it necessary to resign at a time when our work together was barely started. Possibly, too, the most that I could have constructively contributed through such an evaluation, is more concretely understood in this summation of our efforts here in recent weeks, - tho' the many weaknesses in our work here - if honestly and fully reported - would consume many times this space and your time. (c)

"As in my earlier letter, a carbon of this letter is sent to CLARK at the office. (c)

"We view your trip to South America with mixed feelings. We are glad you are going to have the chance to travel and write, of course, but we can ill-afford to have you gone at this time. (c)

"Will you please share this letter with CORLISS and others of the ECLC Executive Committee who will be interested in our doings here. (c)

"Our best to both you and JESSIE, 7

(c)  
"FRANK WILKINSON  
Secretary"

ACTION

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016) DATE: 2/10/59

FROM: SA [REDACTED] b6 b7C

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE  
AMERICAN FREEDOMS (CCPAF)  
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The above letter is quoted as follows: (C)

"September 10, 1959 (C)

"Dear, dear HARVEY and JESSIE: (C)

"JEAN, the children and I arrived at 2 A.M. today.  
We devoted our time to the South and then covered 1,600 miles  
in the last two days! (C)

"Your letters, HARVEY, were awaiting me. We were not  
completely unprepared; we found an AP story in Mobile, Alabama,  
that predicted you would be the Committee's stellar witness the  
following morning. (C)

ccs: [REDACTED] 100-16439 (F. WILKINSON)  
100-45724 (H. O'CONNOR)  
100-43681 (D. MARSHALL)  
100-3267 (ACLU) (C)

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(FRANK WILKINSON)  
1 - New Orleans (REGISTERED)  
(SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDUCATIONAL FUND)  
2 - Newark (REGISTERED)  
(HARVEY O'CONNOR)  
(JIM IMBRIE)  
2 - Mobile (REGISTERED)  
(JIM IMBRIE)  
(AUBREY WILLIAMS)  
1 - New York (REGISTERED)  
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"Your stand is simply magnificent. Only you can express such beautiful resistance. We'll shower you with all the help and affection which you'll need, - in addition to all the 'breaks' which your letter prays. (C)

"I hope that we will be able to secure the transcript of the Committee's remarks after receiving your communication advising them that you would have no part of their 'purported' subpoena. As in Atlanta and New Orleans, it appears that they are tapping either phones or rooms or both; in fact, your experience would seem to indicate that it is ECLC which is tapped, rather than the SCEF offices in New Orleans - you recall my call to you from ECLC, confirming our final visit to Little Compton. They are capable of most anything! (C)

"I've been giving much thought to plans for the continuing campaign to 'abolish the Un-Americans', - as we've driven across the country. We have about 120 days - 90 effective ones - in which to prepare for the votes in the House with the sitting of the new Congress. (C)

"It is going to take a lot of close coordination, from a wide variety of people and organizations. With JIM IMBRIE's good contacts in the field of religion, and, with the Southern Conference drawn in through Atlanta, - etc. - we are going to be able to make much better traction nationally. (C)

"I talked over plans with people as I crossed the country. Both JIM IMBRIE and AUBREY WILLIAMS, for example, see the abolition question as foremost in their priorities. Locally, our ACLU (with a strong assist from DOROTHY MARSHALL and our CCPAF) placed an ad against the HCUA in the Los Angeles Times and Mirror on September 2. They obtained over 100 signatures - the Los Angeles counterparts of the previous public statements of the the Southern and religious leaders; including: the the President of our NAACP, CIO, a Methodist Bishop, and the very important leadership of our Quakers, Jewish, Protestant, Mexican, etc. communities. The Newark ad and the growing activities in GARY's ACLU around the First Amendment cases there - all provide examples of how much progress we have made and can still make before January. (C)

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"We need to pull together all of our best thinking - quickly. I'll work fast here in these first days to find out what the ideas are here, not only for what we can do within the Democratic Party, but suggestions for effective national coordination. - Also, I'll write to a number of persons in other communities to find out their thinking and willingness to concentrate on this issue. (C)

"What are your thoughts? In the light of your latest commitment, how much time do you have to get about the country between now and December 1 on this issue? How shall matters be organized? etc. etc. etc. (C)

"Our experiences in the South were the kind that makes you grow or run. I had 4 hours with NIXON in Montgomery just at the time that KING was being tried for 'loitering'. We met a magnificently courageous young Catholic priest in Mound Bayou. We had good visits with the AUBREY WILLIAMS, DOMBROWSKIS, [redacted] and [redacted] in Atlanta. For all of us, it was an intense, soul racking experience. Arkansas looked like heaven after Mississippi; and Texas seemed downright progressive! (C) b6 b7C

"Thanks again for your wonderful hospitality - the boat ride, the fish - the dance! If only we were not so far apart. JEAN is sold on the East, so don't be surprised if we up and return at the first opportunity! (C)

"Best,

"FRANK WILKINSON"

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-56969) Date: 2/18/59

FROM: SA [redacted] b6

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SUBJECT: YSL-YPSL MERGER b7C  
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Informant was present at the above indicated function and furnished a written report, dated and filed as indicated, which reads as follows: (C)

"On Sunday Feb. 8, 1959 I attended a YPSL Educational at [redacted] Los Angeles- at 2 P.M. in the afternoon: [redacted] gave a 10 min. talk on 'What is Socialism' then each person was given five min. to add something to [redacted] talk. (C)

"Present at the discussion were: [redacted] at the beginning of the meeting [redacted] and [redacted] were having a discussion-they left before the meeting actually started (C)

cc: [redacted] b7D

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100-5589 (NAACP)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
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"Learned in conversation with [ ] that this coming Sunday Feb. 15, 1959, there is going to be a meeting at [ ] house-it is to be a [ ] meeting- with [ ] heading it. They will have a discussion on 'What is Socialism'. [ ] is the one who got the names for [ ] to contact. (C)

"Learned in conversation with [ ] that he received a letter, from someone either from the East or out here who I believe is connected with the NAACP asking him to attend the meeting. This is a group getting together to help promote the coming youth march in April--I believe headed by the NAACP. At any rate the first meeting is to be held on Sun. Feb. 15, 1959 on Western Ave. (C)

"Learned in conversation with [ ] and [ ] that they are using [ ] as a contact (to get them with or into) the ACLU." (C)

ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add no further data.

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# Civil Liberties Union Enters Duncan Trial

Atty. Wirin Supports Move for Change  
of Venue; Jury Selection Seen Today

BY GENE BLAKE, Times Staff Representative

VENTURA, Feb. 19—The American Civil Liberties Union today entered the Elizabeth Ann Duncan murder trial in support of a motion for removing the case to another county.

With selection of the jury predicted for tomorrow morning, Atty. A. L. Wirin, general counsel for the ACLU in Southern California, filed a petition requesting permission to appear as a friend of the court.

Superior Judge Charles F. Blackstock granted the request. Wirin said he will present oral arguments along with defense Atty. S. Ward Sullivan after the jury is selected, but before it is sworn in.

## Wirin Gives Reason

Wirin, wearing a new beard which he said he acquired on his recent trip to Red China, declared he wants to argue on the motion for a change of venue "solely out of concern for due process of law and fair trial."

He said he is not appearing out of sympathy for Mrs. Duncan or the offense with which she is charged, the hired killing of her daughter-in-law, Olga Kupczyk Duncan, 30.

"I will urge on the court that there should be a change of venue," Wirin said, "because it is likely the defendant can receive a fairer trial in a community in which the case has been discussed less in the press, over radio and television than in Ventura County."

## Interest and Concern

"My interest and concern arose immediately when extensive publicity, most of it adverse to Mrs. Duncan, appeared in the press of Ventura County."

Dist. Atty. Roy Gustafson said he saw no reason for Wirin to appear in the case, declaring that Sullivan is perfectly capable of presenting the argument. The judge, however, said he could see no objection.

At the close of the fourth day of trial tonight, Sullivan had exercised 19 of the 20

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## DUNCAN TRIAL

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peremptory challenges allowed, while Gustafson had used only two.

Nine more prospective jurors were excused today because of conscientious scruples against the death penalty. One defense challenge for cause on the ground that a prospective juror had formed an opinion of Mrs. Duncan's guilt was allowed, and two others were disallowed.

Judge Blackstock granted the last such defense challenge over prosecution objections because the defense had only one peremptory challenge remaining.

Seven men and five women will be in the jury box tomorrow morning, but Sullivan is certain to exercise his last peremptory challenge and perhaps other challenges for cause.

One man temporarily accepted was excused by stipulation on the basis of unverified reports that he knows one or both of the men who have confessed to the actual murder, Augustina Baldonado, 25, and Luis Moya, 20.

Leandro Franco, of Oxnard, equipment hiler for the county, indicated under questioning that he might know the men but he failed to identify their pictures.

### Chance Eliminated

Gustafson said he has no information that Franco knows either of the men, but he agreed to excuse him because he didn't want to take a chance.

A woman temporarily seated was questioned by Sullivan on a report that she had discussed the facts of the case at lunch with another prospective juror who has since been excused.

Mrs. Margaret L. Wilms, wife of a Ventura insurance man, insisted she had only discussed the jury selection procedure and she was not challenged for cause. Later she was excused by Sullivan with a peremptory challenge.

### Threatening Letters

Meanwhile, Mrs. Duncan revealed that she and her son, Atty. Frank P. Duncan, had received more threatening missives in the mail.

She exhibited a newspaper photograph of herself and her son, on which various

epithets had been written in red ink. They included, "Hope you hang," "You should have died before you were born," "Cutthroat," "I could kill you," "Apron strings" and "Mamma's boy."

She also showed reporters this letter, mailed from San Francisco:

"Your daughter-in-law was a fine, clean, decent person. She and her unborn child was murdered. I hope the state will execute those involved in that crime. It was a cruel, rotten deal."

Duncan also protested that telephone bills which had been mailed to him in care of the District Attorney's office here had been opened before they were turned over to him yesterday. Gustafson said the envelopes had been opened by mistake.

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**Blum gave Bennett from Citizens Comm. to**

**Preserve American Freedom, Los Angeles, Calif.**

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1 - 100- (Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedom)

1 - 100- (Dorothy Marshall)

1 - 100- (ECUA Hearings, Los Angeles, Calif.)

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1cc-IP-100-9529 (Emanuel Blum)

1cc-IP-95-1238 (Vaud Bennett)

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On 1/4/59, Emanuel Blum, Chairman of the Communist Party in Indiana, Vaud Bennett, Organizational Secretary of the CP in Indiana, held a meeting at Chicago, Illinois. During the course of the meeting, Blum gave to Bennett the following literature which concerned Los Angeles, Calif. Blum made no comment as to where he had obtained this literature: (C)

1. ACLU petition to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities. (C)

2. Southern California District Council - Report of the District Board, November 23, 1958 on the Results of the Elections by U.S. (C)

3. Following literature from the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms, 617 Larchmont, Los Angeles 4, California. (C)

(a) Statements opposing House Committee on Un-American Activities.

(b) Reprint of Statement of Harvey O'Connor. (C)

(c) "Operation Un-American - A Handbook of Information on the House Un-American Activities Committee".

(d) "A Report on Hearings held by the House Un-American Activities Committee in Los Angeles, Calif."

(e) Letter from CCPAF, Dorothy Marshall, Chairman.

(f) Letter from CCPAF, Dorothy Marshall, Chairman.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-106)

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55837)

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF  
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INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Re Los Angeles letter to Bureau, 8/20/58,  
and Bulet to Los Angeles, 12/24/58.

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In January, 1959, [redacted] who is a [redacted]  
[redacted] of the [redacted] Southern California District,  
Communist Party (SCDCP), submitted an analysis of the Communist  
Party (CP) as it exists today. This analysis includes current  
CP policy and methods of infiltration into mass organizations.  
Pertinent paragraphs are quoted as follows: (C)

.....All of these activities have one thing in  
common, they represent to one degree or another  
disciplined activity on the part of Communist  
Party members in that the Communists like to call  
mass organizations. A mass organization being an  
organization, which has many large bodies of non-  
Communist Party members. While there is still  
participation on the part of Communists and former  
Communists in these organizations, it should be  
realized that as the number of Communists diminished  
and as the number of Communist clubs have been re-  
duced, the effective results of disciplinary activity  
of the kind which is described here, has been dimin-  
ished considerably. Accordingly, we should expect  
that those individuals who either have remained inside  
of the Communist Party or who have left the Communist  
Party but still hold with Communist ideology will turn  
to other techniques for their consideration as a means  
of influencing American life. (C)

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- 5 - Los Angeles
  - 1 - 100-3257 (ACLU)
  - 1 - 100-28083 (B'NAI B'RITH)
  - 1 - 100-5539 (NAACP)
  - 1 - 100-50147 (SONS OF CORBIENS)

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".....As a result it is entirely logical to expect what has already begun to happen, namely a Communist shift in tactics to the methods of indirection. By indirect approaches which do not deal directly with any issues or with any real problems, we do not attempt to organize specific Communist factions inside of Trade Unions or people's organization. The Communist can achieve in a most subversive fashion what is impossible in a most direct fashion. (C)

"This effort has taken several specific directions. The general aim of the method of indirection which is now being employed by many Communists and former Communists is to poison the cultural streams of American life. To so pollute the waters of the American concept and standards as to make them meaningless. The American People have since their inception been a self critical and liberal group. The Communists who are using these methods of indirection, employ this capacity of self criticism and liberalism with a view to destroying the confidence of Americans in their own institutions. (C)

"The effort at indirection which is being carried on by Communists and former Communists concerns itself with undermining confidence of Americans in the school system, in the Defense program which is being carried out and the capabilities of this system, and the strength of the capitalist system itself, economically and politically and the honesty of government officials, the ability of American Scientists and generally in the ability of this country to withstand any onslaught from an enemy as strong as the Soviet Union. No effort is made to make out a strong case in behalf of the qualities of the Soviet System but rather insidious activities are carried on to convince the American people that the American system is corrupt, decadent, falling behind and generally incapable of meeting with life's problems....." (C)

In November, 1958, the Negro Commission of the SCDFP issued a document containing a number of proposals adapted by the Commission in connection with the amnesty campaign for (C)

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HENRY WINSTON and OIL GREEN, former CP, USA functionaries, presently incarcerated for violation of the Smith Act. (C)

Pertinent excerpts from this document are quoted as follows: (C)

"Make a big concentration in the Negro Community and among Negro organizations on the amnesty campaign, making Winston the center of our work...." (C)

"Urge all CP members, especially those active in the Negro community, to make a special effort to speak before organizations, churches and so on in the Negro community...." (C)

"We urge that we have special concentrations and activities in our work among the Negro people from now through Christmas around the question of amnesty. We should try to develop mass letter writing campaigns to the Parole Board as well as the President, on amnesty for Winston and Green...." (C)

A review of current information concerning the legitimate nonsubversive organizations set out in referenced letter to the Bureau, reveals the following instances of CP influence or association within some of these organizations, which have occurred since submission of report: (C)

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
2863 West Ninth Street  
Los Angeles, California

Members attending a meeting of the Juan Gomez Club, Zapata Section, SCDOP, in November, 1953, were advised that the CP had been contacted by the ACLU for aid in connection with the petition to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA). Party members were instructed to say that they represented the ACLU in obtaining signatures. (C)

At a meeting of the District Council, SCDOP, on 11/23/53, it was announced that the CP had been officially invited to join the ACLU in its campaign to circulate a mass petition to abolish the HCUA. The CP was asked to undertake to cover Negro churches as an area of concentration with the petitions. It was further stated that the ACLU was planning (C)

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to send out a cover letter to all Negro churches in the community, announcing that the petition would be circulated. (C)

In December, 1953, at a meeting of the Hidalgo Club, Santa Section, SDCP, a report was made that the CP had been asked officially by the ACLU to participate in the drive to collect signatures on the petition calling for abolition of the HCUA. (C)

The Orange County Club, Orange County Section, CP, was informed at a meeting in December, 1953, that a chapter of the ACLU was to be formed in Orange County. The statement was made that the ACLU chapter would be a good place from which to recruit for the CP, and club members were asked to attend the first meeting of the ACLU to be held in January, 1954. (C)

Information concerning the ACLU was furnished by [redacted] and [redacted] b7D (C)

No recommendation is being made that this case be opened for investigation at this time.

B'NAI B'RITH  
6425 Hollywood Blvd.  
Los Angeles, California

At a meeting of the Aaron Johnson CP Club, Noranda Smith Section, SDCP, in December, 1953, the fact was brought out that STELLA BIBER, member of the Aaron Johnson Club, had resigned as "People's World" director of the club so that she could devote more time in her mass work with the B'nai B'rith. BIBER said she would not attend club meetings very often in the future, inasmuch as she was running for the office of vice-president in the B'nai B'rith. She said the CP is not doing much and she felt that her work in the B'nai B'rith was very important. (C)

The above information was furnished by [redacted] b7D (C)

No active investigation of this organization is being recommended.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE  
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE (NAACP)  
4261 South Central Avenue  
Los Angeles, California

In the fall of 1958, PATTIS PERRY, member of the Negro Commission, SODCP, and National Committee, CP, USA, attempted to secure aid from the Legal Redress Committee of the NAACP to defend Negroes who had been subpoenaed to appear at hearings scheduled by the HCUA. The NAACP advised that it would offer no assistance and that any attorney who might become involved would be going on his own and not as a representative of the NAACP. (C)

At a meeting of the Anita Whitney Club, Moranda Smith Section, SODCP, in December, 1958, PATTIS PERRY gave a report on the results of the election conducted by the NAACP. He stated that the Party had 250 members and friends at the election and they succeeded in defeating the re-election of the former president. PERRY said a CP member was elected to the Board of Directors but could not be seated because he was behind in the payment of his dues. (C) X

CHARLENE MITCHELL, Administrative Secretary, SODCP, at a meeting of the District Council in December, 1958, proposed a program, one point of which was to support the June, 1959, convention of the NAACP. (C)

At a meeting of the Negro Commission, SODCP, in January, 1959, PATTIS PERRY urged that the question of the NAACP convention be taken up and discussed at the next Negro Commission meeting. (C)

At a meeting of the subcommittee of the Negro Commission in February, 1959, PATTIS PERRY proposed, in a written document, that the Negro Commission send delegates to the NAACP convention in June, 1959, to help combat Red baiting within the NAACP. (C)

Information regarding the NAACP was furnished by [redacted] and [redacted] (C) b7D

The Los Angeles Office periodically submits reports on the NAACP (LA file 100-55227, Bufile 61-3176).

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SONS OF COLUMBUS, GIUSEPPE VERDI COUNCIL #97

The Sons of Columbus has no fixed address and receives mail at the residence of its president, 537 109th Place, Los Angeles, California. (C)

ROSE GREENE, convicted Smith Act subject and current CP member, was speaker at a dinner given by the Giuseppe Verdi Council No. 97, Sons of Columbus, in December, 1953. She appealed to the members to put pressure on the legislators to repeal the Walter-McCarren Act and to take the Immigration Department out of the Department of Justice and place it in the hands of civilians. X

In January, 1959, [redacted] member of the Moranda Smith Section, SODEP, stated that two Italian-American friends had recently arrived from New York and were looking for some organization to join. She advised them that they should become members of the Giuseppe Verdi Council No. 97 of the Sons of Columbus of America. (C)

The above information concerning Sons of Columbus was furnished by [redacted] (C)

Investigation in this case is pending in the Los Angeles Office (LA file 100-50187, Bufile 100-35187).

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE AMERICAN FREEDOMS  
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who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be concealed

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Informant furnished the following report: (C)

"CCPAF Executive Committee Meeting  
Monday, February 2, 1959  
7:30 to 9:00 P.M.

"AGENDA

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"1) Reading of the Minutes for 1/5/59: DRU BAETKE (C)

cc: 2 - New York (REGISTERED)  
(ECLC)  
(Nat'l. ACLU)

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|                                                                                                                             | 100-33426 (M. CHESTER)                     |
|                                                                                                                             | 100-39376 (M. HALL)                        |
|                                                                                                                             | 100-45843 (E. KATZ)                        |
|                                                                                                                             | 100-46399 (J. HALL)                        |
|                                                                                                                             | 100-30731 (S. KISHNER)                     |
|                                                                                                                             | 100-55110 (I. FEUER)                       |
|                                                                                                                             | 100-39688 (E. VANDERGoot)                  |
|                                                                                                                             | 100-29670 (R. BISHOP)                      |
|                                                                                                                             | 100-New1 (EMMY DAWSON)                     |
|                                                                                                                             | 100-3267 (ACLU)                            |
|                                                                                                                             | 100-54645 (POWELL-SCHUMAN<br>DEFENSE FUND) |

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- "2) Roster of Attendance: Sign up Board at Door
- "3) Final Petition Report: Secretary (Estimate: 2, 102)
- "4) Nation \* FBI Report & Community Mailing: Secretary
- "5) Finance Report: Present Balance: KONIGSBERG; Summary of Special Meeting and Appeals: MARSHALL; Secretary's Trip Expenses to Georgia, Washington and New York: Secretary
- "Finance Committee Meeting: Date? Lunch - 1/9 or 1/10?  
Members: KONIGSBERG, COWELL, CLARKE, ELCONIN, SPERBER,  
EISENBERG.
- "6) ECLC Report: Washington Office, Bulletin: Question: What should CCPAF offer to pay for service? Distribution in LA?: MARSHALL. (C)
- "ECLC Ass't. Director Visiting in LA: Requests for help; etc.  
MARSHALL.
- "7) Program Committee Recommendations:
- "A. Secretary's Report on Legislative Status in 1) Washington;  
2) Sacramento. : Secretary
- "B. Report for Program Committee Meeting and Program Discussion:  
STEVENSON
- "C. Special Report from Teachers: FRANK HOLLEY
- "D. Special Report from Democratic Clubs in 26th C.D.: Dr. PECK
- "E. Summary & Program Determination:
- "8) POWELL Case Report: GEORGE COWELL
- "9) Other Business
- "10) Next Meeting: Monday, March 2, 1959
- "11) Adjournment.

"MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
CCPAF Executive Board  
Feb. 2, 1959 - 7:30 PM  
Chairman: DOROTHY MARSHALL

"Attendance Roster attached

- "1. Minutes of the Executive Board meeting of Jan. 5, 1959, read by DRU BAETCKE, Executive Board Secretary, and approved.

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"2. Finance Report - R. KONIGSBURG, Treasurer:

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| "Bank balance                                  | \$1195.40          |
| "Sustainer decrease during January             | \$20.00            |
| "                  increase                  " | 9.00               |
| Net decrease in sustainers                     | <u>11.00</u>       |
| "Present sustainer income                      | \$514.00 per month |

"The Chairman announced that the proceeds from the [ ] party, 1/9/59, were \$1500. (C)

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"The Secretary reported that the expenses of his trip to Atlanta, Washington, D.C., New York, and return, were \$283.00. The ACLU provided \$300 for plane fare. (C)

"The Secretary has deposited personal contributions, which have been received in connection with his case, in a separate checking account and desires trustees for supervision and disbursement of same. It was understood that the CCPAF Finance Committee can only serve in an advisory capacity in such arrangements. (C)

"A meeting of the Finance Committee will be held Feb. 9, at CCPAF headquarters, at 12 noon. (C)

"3. KONIGSBERG Case - L. SPERBER reporting: (C)

"The case has been postponed and will now be heard in Los Angeles some time in April. The Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court has disqualified himself from participating in the case. (C)

"4. ECLC - DOROTHY MARSHALL reporting: (C)

"ECLC legislative bulletins are arriving from Washington.

"ECLC has requested names of additional Los Angeles subscribers for this service. (C)

"CCPAF is requesting ECLC to state the charges to be made for this bulletin service. (C)

"M/S/C - That CCPAF should determine the price and that CCPAF cooperate with ECLC in the above project. (C)

"5. Report from the Secretary: (C)

"ACLU Petition Campaign. The ACLU reports that a total of over 13,000 signatures have now been obtained on the petition to abolish the HUAC. CCPAF made a major contribution in this effort; over 2100 signatures were turned in directly by CCPAF. (C)

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"6. 'The Nation' (F.B.I. issue): CCPAF sales for this reprint have now reached \$58.00. (C)

"L. SPERBER requested that 25 copies be distributed without charge to community leaders to be in attendance at the forthcoming Lawyer's Guild Conference. (C)

"The Secretary requested approval of the Executive Board to mail 100 copies of the reprint to (non-legal) community leaders. (C)

"M/S/C - That this mailing, with covering letter from the Chairman, be approved. (C)

"7. A meeting of the Program Committee was held at noon on 2/2/59. (C)

"The Secretary gave the following summary: (C)

"Personal Contempt of Congress Case: Following his conviction in Atlanta, a motion for a new trial was made. If denied, an appeal to the Circuit Court of Appeals will be made. (C)

"Copies of the Secretary's statement at time of sentencing have been mailed. (C)

"WASHINGTON: Congressman ROOSEVELT has introduced House Resolution #53. This Resolution eliminates the HUAC, as such, and adds to the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Judiciary the investigation of 'Seditious Activity'. It is understood that ROOSEVELT and those assisting in the preparation of his Resolution, are working on the assumption that the House Judiciary Committee under the chairmanship of Congressman CELLER, would protect the First Amendment in their investigations of 'Seditious Activity', as provided in the Resolution. (C)

"Congressman ROOSEVELT has now made 3 speeches advocating his Resolution. So far he has only received the Floor support of Congressman WEIR of Minnesota. The National ACLU is supporting Congressman ROOSEVELT's Resolution. (C)

"SACRAMENTO: A summary of civil liberties legislation was made, based upon reports from Atty. ROBERT KENNY, EASON MONROE of ACLU and RALPH SCHLOWING of FCL. (C)

"Assemblyman O'CONNELL, of San Francisco, has introduced 3 civil liberties bills: ACA 8 (repeals the Levering Oath in the State Constitution); AB 214 (repeals loyalty oaths for school use); and AB 215 (repeal church and veterans tax exemption loyalty oaths.) (C)

"No bills are introduced as yet to repeal either the DILWORTH or LUCKEL Laws. (C)

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"Assemblyman RUMFORD has introduced AB 244 (licenses social workers and requires loyalty oaths.) (C)

"COLE BLEASE of FCL, Sacramento lobbyist, will be in Los Angeles for Lawyers Guild Conference on Feb. 41 and 15. (C)

"PROGRAM COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS - JANET STEVENSON: (C)

"There are now positive opportunities for action and 2 fronts to fight on - national and local. The following actions are suggested: (C)

"CONGRESS: (C)

"A. Continue to secure support for ROOSEVELT.

"B. Direct special community pressure on other Congressmen (DOYLE, KING, HOLIFIELD, HOLT, etc.) (C)

"C. Develop support for ROOSEVELT outside Los Angeles through national contacts of the Secretary and Chairman.

"D. Northern California congressional support to be explored by visit of Secretary.

"E. Planning a special civil liberties lobby in Washington - a mobilization around ROOSEVELT's Resolution.

"STATE LEGISLATURE: (C)

"The California State Legislature is now the most liberal in 50 or more years. Civil Liberties legislation has been introduced which can be adopted. Members of the Executive Committee should plan to take direct action. (C)

"DISCUSSION: (C)

"SPERBER: Suggests that the capital punishment issue should be tied in with the civil liberties fight. He felt that CCPAF should work for this issue. There is now a strong movement against the death penalty and this is an issue which can win. SPERBER suggested that CCPAF should send a group of members to the Lawyers Guild luncheon at the Biltmore, Feb. 14. (C)

"SPECIAL REPORT FROM TEACHERS: FRANK HOLLY (Visitor). (C)

"The Executive Board of the Teacher's Union is somewhat divided on the issue of advocating civil liberties legislation, e.g., the repeal of DILWORTH and LUCKEL bills. There is a lack of initiative. Support is needed from the outside. Senator RICHARDS has indicated that he would support action against the DILWORTH law. The Executive Secretary has expressed a strong stand on this issue. (C)

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"SPECIAL REPORT FROM DEMOCRATIC CLUBS - 26th C.D. : Dr. PECK (visitor)"

"The CDC 61st A.D. Council has passed a Resolution to send a letter to all other CDC Councils urging action in support of ROOSEVELT's Resolution in other California Congressional districts"

"DISCUSSION (continued):"

"There was a consensus that CCPAF should consider the following actions:

"1. Arrange an appointment with Assemblyman O'CONNELL during his visit to Los Angeles on 2/14.

"Move on State Legislature on following issues:

"2. Join in support of State Civil Liberties legislation based on discussion with O'CONNELL, FCL, ACLU, etc.

"3. The Secretary should go North on ROOSEVELT support at the opportune moment.

"4. It is incumbent upon CCPAF to give ROOSEVELT active support on his Resolution, and do everything possible to counteract the effects of the vicious attacks of the opposition which have been directed at him.

"5. M/S/C - To encourage a ROOSEVELT meeting, under the auspices of the Democratic Clubs or ACLU on the occasion of his next visit to Los Angeles.

"8. POWELL Case Report - GEORGE COWELL:

"Following an injudicious remark by the presiding Judge, a mistrial was granted, to which the prosecution assented. The POWELLS are now to be retried on the more serious charge of 'treason'.

"The suggestion of a public meeting at this time received unfavorable reaction.

"The proposal that a private meeting be held, at which time LINUS PAULING would speak before a small fund-raising audience was favorably received. This would help the POWELLS (and CCPAF) financially.

"M/S/C - That details of a POWELL-Committee-sponsored house meeting should be worked on by the Secretary and Chairman. If CCPAF sponsorship becomes advisable or necessary, then the matter is to be brought before the Executive Board for decision.

"It was pointed out by Mr. COWELL and the Secretary that CCPAF participation in the POWELL case is logical due to their

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"original involvement with the JENNER Sub-Committee on Internal Security. (c)

"9. Meeting adjourned at 10 PM. (c)

"ROSTER

"Mr. & Mrs. GEORGE B. MANGOLD  
DOROTHY N. MARSHALL  
MONA CHESTER  
JANET STEVENSON  
MARTIN HALL  
MARY CLARKE  
ELI KATZ  
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SOPHIE KISHNER  
ISRAEL FEUER  
L. SPERBER  
GEORGE COWELL  
ELNA M. VENDERGOOT  
RUTH BISHOP  
EMY. DAWSON (?)." (c)

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

Index: RALPH SCHLOMING (c)

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

Open 100-News on Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE MANGOLD, and EMMY DAWSON, and FRANK HOLLEY. (c)

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55822) Date 2/24/59

FROM: SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: ORANGE COUNTY SECTION  
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| [redacted]                                                                                                       | and Orange County<br>who CP club mtg. | 2/11/59  | writer | [redacted] |
| have furnished 2/9/59<br>reliable infor-<br>mation in the<br>past and whose<br>identities should<br>be concealed |                                       |          |        |            |

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Informants report is as follows: (C)

"February 11, 1959  
Costa Mesa, California"

"On 2/9/59 a meeting of the Orange County Club of  
the CP was held at the home of [redacted]  
California. Those in attendance were: (C)

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cc: [redacted]

[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)

100-31880 [redacted] (SI)  
100-31877 [redacted] (SI)  
100-54774 [redacted]  
100-54773 [redacted] (SI)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-56834 (M. MOSS) (SI)

100-23488 (FUNDS)  
100-23933 (MEMBERSHIP)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-24843 (B. FRENCH) (SI)

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[redacted] acted as [redacted] (C)

"First on the agenda was PW. [redacted] advised that the PW quota for the club has been set at \$2 per month per member. He collected the following amounts for the PW: (C)

[redacted] \$2

[redacted] \$4

[redacted] \$2

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[redacted] announced that the club currently has \$25 which has been collected for the PW drive. He further announced that additional efforts should be made toward securing new subscription for the PW. In this regard it was suggested by the membership that TED HOOKER, BEA FRENCH and [redacted] be contacted for subscription. (C)

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[redacted] was assigned to contact BEA FRENCH and [redacted]

[redacted] assigned to contact TED HOOKER and [redacted] (C)

"Next on the Agenda was membership. (C)

[redacted] suggested that additional attempts be made to bring new members. The membership suggested the names of [redacted] In regard to [redacted] advised that in conversation with the [redacted] they appeared to have an unusual knowledge of Marxism and he thought they may have previously been in the CP. In regard to [redacted] stated he believes [redacted] is sympathetic to the CP based on previous conversation with him. (C)

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"Next was a discussion by the club on the ACLU.

[redacted] reported he had been contacted by [redacted] and informed of the seven juveniles who recently made an attempted jail break and who are currently being held in commicado by the juvenile authorities. According to [redacted] stated he was informed by [redacted] that an ACLU attorney or representative in Los Angeles had been contacted by [redacted] and requested to come down to discuss their case with the juvenile attorneys. [redacted] continued that he was in sympathy with the juveniles and he had arranged with [redacted] to call a special meeting composed of ACEU supporters in Orange County to meet on 2/13/59 to discuss the case and hear the ACLU representatives comments on the case. He urged all of the members of the Orange County Club of the CP to attend. (C)

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"At the meeting it was announced by [redacted] that MARGARET MOSS, a former member of the Orange County Club had been transferred to the Bellflower Club of the CP. (C) X

[redacted] collected \$2 in CP dues from [redacted]  
[redacted] The two dollars was for \$1 for month of  
October, 2 months for [redacted] Oct and Nov." (C) X

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Informants were thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning this memo.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) DATE: 3/3/59

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  
IS-SWP

| INFORMANT | ACTIVITY | RECEIVED | AGENT | LOCATION |
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| [REDACTED] | 2/21/59 | 2/25/59 | Writer | [REDACTED] |
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who have furnished reliable info in the past and whose identities should be protected.

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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Informant's report is quoted verbatim as follows: (C)

"Santa Ana, Calif. (C)  
Feb. 21, 1959

"On Saturday, Feb. 21, 1959, a house party was held at [REDACTED] The party was sponsored by the Socialist Workers Party & was held for people in that area to meet PETER BUCH, campaigning for a position on the school board. Those present & recognized were: (C)

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cc: [REDACTED]

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100-5282 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-56531 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-56607 (D. PATTERSON)  
100-56608 (M. A. PATTERSON)  
100-24035 (E. BROADY)  
100-24119 (O. BROADY)  
100-43269 (P. BUCH)  
100-29463 (E. KOVACS)  
100-28526 (S. KOVACS)  
100-23325 (J. SHEPHERD)  
100-29522 (A. STROWISS)  
100-54961 [REDACTED]  
100-30670 (E. THORNTON)  
100-32672 (ACLU)

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"ELEANOR BROADY  
ALMA THOMAS  
SHIRLEY KOVACS  
DEAN PATTERSON  
JACK SHEPHERD  
BOB DURALL  
EMILY THORNTON  
OTTO BROADY  
AARON STROWISS  
EDMOND KOVACS  
MARY ANN PATTERSON  
PETER BUCH  
BOBBY DURALL

"There were about 4 other people who stayed a very short time. (C)

[redacted] asked the [redacted] about the A.C.L.U. in Orange County. He felt that AL APPEL was wrong in helping to organize it and also felt that it was wrong strategy for AL APPEL to have encouraged TED HOOKER to work in the American Civil Liberties Union. [redacted] asked the [redacted] to meet informally with TED HOOKER and some of the National Guardian Club members and to find out their feelings on the Socialist Workers Party." (C)

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ACTION: Informants were thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

All other necessary action in connection with the above has been taken by the writer.

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Note: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Facts of complaint.

Compl. advised he does business as [redacted] at [redacted].

Stated that he has [redacted] at [redacted] b6 b7C  
[redacted] organization and that [redacted]  
he has observed there [redacted] have to  
believe org. is [redacted] [redacted]  
No specific info.

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(Agent)

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513)

DATE: 3/3/59

FROM : SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN

SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)  
IS-C

| INFORMANT                                                                                         | ACTIVITY          | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION       |
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected. | Literature<br>b7D | 2/27/59  | Writer | As noted below |

Informant furnished the following literature which she received at the General Meeting of the Valley Chapter of the WLA, held 2/26/59 at 14227 Magnolia Boulevard, Van Nuys, California:

1. Two page leaflet, "California FOL Action" from the Friends Committee on Legislation, bearing the sub-caption, "Capital Punishment Action Sheet." This refers to California Senate Bill No. 50 and Assembly Bill No. 221, both of which would abolish the death penalty in California. One of the items called for on this sheet is "Write BILL STOUT of NRT (Los Angeles) requesting a repeat performance of the television show entitled, 'Thou Shalt Not Kill.'" (Location: [redacted]) b7D

2. Four page newsletter titled, "California Newsletter - Friends Committee on Legislation." Vol. VII, No. 2, November - December, 1958. This contains information about Attorney General STANLEY HOCH's interest in the drive to eliminate capital punishment in California; State Senator

cc: [redacted] b7D

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100-23492  
100-1000  
100-47309

(FRIENDS COMMITTEE  
ON LEGISLATION)  
(Senator R. RICHARDS)

62-4286  
GGB:bef  
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[redacted] Informant in on set concerning R. in  
Employment. [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted]  
by [redacted] (Location: [redacted])

3. "Washington Newsletter of the Friends Committee  
on National Isolation," No. 103, issue of January, 1959  
(published monthly), (Location: [redacted])

Informant advised that copies of all three of  
the above publications were available to women attending  
the general meeting of the Valley Chapter of the Women for  
Legislative Action on February 23, 1959.

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed,  
and could furnish no additional information.

It is suggested that a 100-lead file be opened  
on [redacted] who is mentioned in item 2 above, as the  
replacement for [redacted] as the Executive Secretary of  
the FCL in Southern California. It is indicated that [redacted]  
is "reluctant" to devote more time to her family. Background  
about [redacted] is contained in item 12 on [redacted]

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All other necessary action in connection with  
this case has been taken by the writer.

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March 7, 1959

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
1340 West Sixth Street  
Los Angeles, Calif.

Gentlemen,

Recently I was manuevered out of the important position  
of [redacted] because of the  
fact that I am a member of the American Civil Liberties Union.

I need a letter from your organization stating that the  
ACLU is not an organization under scrutiny for Communistic  
affiliations of any sort.

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Yours very truly,

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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+ C. ref

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+ info

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H. J. [unclear] - [unclear]

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1340 West Sixth Street  
Los Angeles 17, California  
March 10, 1959

[Redacted]

[Redacted] California

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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your recent letter.

While I sincerely appreciate the interest which prompted your inquiry, I must advise you that by order of the Attorney General information in the files of this Bureau is confidential and available for official use only.

I am sure you will understand the reason for this rule. No inference, of course, should be drawn that we do, or do not, have information regarding the subject of your inquiry.

I would suggest, however, that you direct your inquiry to the U. S. Department of Justice, Attention Subversive Organizations Section, Internal Security Division, Washington, D. C.

Yours very truly,

D. K. BROWN,  
Special Agent in Charge

- 1 - Addressee
- 1 - Los Angeles (100-0)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55504) Date 2/25/59

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [SAN BERNARDINO-RIVERSIDE COMMUNIST PARTY CLUB] (c)  
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| [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed | Mtg. of the SBRCP at [REDACTED] San Bernardino, Calif. on 2/11/59 | 2/16/59 | writer | [REDACTED] (c) |
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AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
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DATE 2/18/78 JJP/LES

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Informant's report is quoted as follows: (c)

"On 2/11/59 I attended a meeting of the San Bernardino-Riverside Communist Party Club at [REDACTED] San Bernardino, California. The following persons were present (c)

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[REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] could not attend this meeting as they were going to a meeting of the American Civil Liberties Union in San Bernardino. (c)

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[REDACTED] then passed out a leaflet put out by the Southern California District CP concerning the jailing of two negro children in North Carolina because of a kissing (c)

cc: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
100-20781 (H. WEINGAST) (SI)

100- (IDA DLUGON)  
100-3267 (EAGLE)

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incident. He stated that he had 160 of these leaflets and that this club should have a special meeting to address and mail these leaflets to persons in the San Bernardino County area. Members decided to hold special meeting on 2/13/59 at 1153 W 19th St. San Bernardino to mail out the leaflets (c)

"Since HELEN WEINGAST was not present no CP dues were collected. HELEN WEINGAST is the Financial Secretary of this club. (c)

"Literature was then passed out to the members present. (c)

Political Affairs  
Economic Notes  
Mainstream

[redacted] then held the educational which was on the Negro Question and was taken from a CP leaflet written by J. JACKSON. A general discussion was then held on this question and all members took part in the discussion. (c)

[redacted] then reported that IDA DLUGON had been in a very serious auto accident at Hwy 66 and Euclid Ave. Upland, Calif. She is now in the community hospital in San Bernardino and may never walk again. (c)

"Meeting closed. (c)

"Next meeting at 919 Bussey St. San Bernardino, California on 2/25/59. (c)

ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-56970)

DATE: 3/5/59

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 URT/ldh  
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DATE OF REVIEW 12-29-97

SUBJECT: ISL-SP/SDF MERGER  
INFO CONCERNING (IS)

| INFORMANT | ACTIVITY | RECEIVED | AGENT | LOCATION |
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| [REDACTED] | SP/SDF<br>meeting | 3/3/59 | Writer | [REDACTED] |
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who has fur-  
nished reli-  
able info in  
the past and  
whose iden-  
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be protected.

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Informant was present at the above indicated  
function and furnished a written report, filed as  
indicated, which reads as follows: (c)

"March 3, 1959 (c)

"The Central Branch of the Socialist Party  
held a meeting last night at their headquarters, 1904 S.  
Arlington, Los Angeles 18, California, which I attended. (c)

cc: [REDACTED]

b7D - New York (REGISTERED)  
(SP/SDF-ISL MERGER)  
(Dr. ERICH FROMM) (c)

100-29489 (S. CLASS)

100-15439 (C. CURTISS)

100-33665 (A. KUNKIN)

100-34470 (L. PAULING)

100-55482 (R. VOGEL)

100-42713 (E. MONROE)

100-2700 (AMERICAN FRIENDS)

100-3267 (ACLU)

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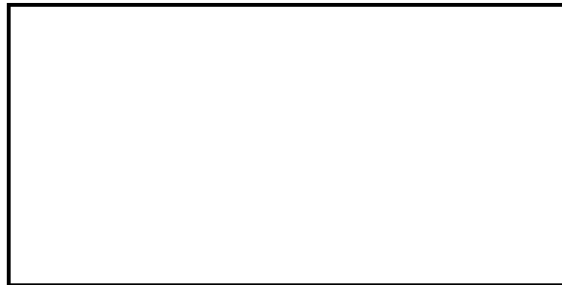
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"The following were in attendance: (c)



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[redacted] showed [redacted] how to operate electrical mimeograph. (c)

[redacted] is now [redacted] of the Central Branch of the Los Angeles Socialist Party, while [redacted] is the [redacted] (c)

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[redacted] discussed that a list of guests was being built up and these people would act as lecturers. He mentioned that Mr. VOGEL of the American Friends Service Committee would appear later this month. Others will include Dr. LINUS PAULING of Cal Tech and EASON MONROE of the American Civil Liberties Union. [redacted] said that he is attempting to have Councilman ROYBAL appear and at a later time possibly in June have Councilwoman WYMAN discuss the Chavez Ravine situation if she agrees. (c)

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"The question of finances appeared to be very grave with the SP National Office. [redacted] told me that the National Dues are \$12 per year in addition to the local dues. I paid her \$5.00 on account. (c)

[redacted] New York City, [redacted] took out membership in the Socialist Party reported [redacted] (c)

[redacted] the meeting, and [redacted] did most of the talking. (c)

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[redacted] uses the name [redacted] in all public appearances and except for a slip made by [redacted] was only known by the [redacted] name last night. (c)

"The [redacted] is [redacted] [redacted] CHARLIE CURTIS, and [redacted] (c)

"The Labor Bund was given permission to use (c)

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the SP office equipment with the proviso that they keep the machines in good running order and any expenses to be paid by Labor Bund. This applies only to Los Angeles. (c)

[redacted] to make sure to join the Central Branch of the SP [redacted] (c)

"His license is PCN 698 California." (c)

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action has been taken.

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (76-2841)

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3/6/59

SA EDWARD J. KIRBY

CLASS. & EXT. BY 6313 URTIC  
REASON-FCIM 11, 1-2.4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 12-29-97

ESCAPED FEDERAL PRISONER,  
FEDERAL ESCAPE ACT

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF Classification  
DATE 8/14/78 JSP/SS

JAMES A. MUSICK, Sheriff, Santa Ana advised on 2/9/59 that [redacted] had contacted him telephonically stating that she was representing the ACLU and that it was felt the captioned individuals and the other six involved in the attempted escapes had not been properly represented by legal counsel. MUSICK advised he had explained to [redacted] that the juveniles involved were in jail under court order and that he had nothing to do with their retention in jail. He referred her to Juvenile Court Judge KENNETH MORRISON.

MUSICK advised on 2/11/59 that [redacted] had apparently called Judge MORRISON who told her that if the juveniles had legal counsel, he would talk to the counsel, but that he had nothing to discuss with her. MUSICK continued that an attorney appeared seeking permission to interview the juveniles. MUSICK stated he would grant authority to interview the juveniles only if such authorization given him by Judge MORRISON. He continued the Attorney contacted MORRISON who told the attorney he would discuss the matter with him, if he had a written statement from the juveniles that the attorney was their counsel. The attorney had no such statement.

[redacted] advised telephonically on 2/9/59 that [redacted] is the [redacted] at the Borax plant on the Santa Ana Freeway. She has been semi active in the ACLU. The Co has some interest in her, but she has not yet developed.

[redacted] telephonically advised on 2/11/59 that the ACLU Attorney reported he had contacted the Juvenile Court Judge, thought he had a case, but would take no action until given a retainer fee. The fee was not forthcoming.

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① - 100-3267 ACLU  
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[redacted] and [redacted] advised SA HENRY F. ALSTON on 2/13/59 that there is to be an ACLU meeting at the home of [redacted] on 2/13/59 at which time an ACLU representative will discuss the merits of this matter.

[redacted] and [redacted] advised SA [redacted] on 2/9/59 that this meeting is to be held on 2/13/59. It is noted that [redacted] is CP Informant and [redacted] and [redacted] are SWP Informants. The formation of the Orange County Chapter of the ACLU has both CP and SWP backing. (C)

[redacted] advised on 2/13/59 that TED HOOKER, a SI subject has been [redacted] all day regarding an attempted jail break involving captioned subjects plus the other six on 2/12/59. Note there was no such attempt on 2/12/59 and both subjects are removed from the Orange County Jail.

[redacted] further advised that [redacted] of the Good Government Foundation in Garden Grove has spent several hours with [redacted] on 2/13/59 discussing this matter. PCI continued that [redacted] is also inquiring into a narcotics matter, details of which she does not know, but which may involve the jail.

[redacted] of the now outgoing County Grand Jury.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 3/11/59

FROM : SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
IS-C

On 2/11/59, [ ] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON b7D with an agenda of an ACLU Conference held 2/7/59 at the Mayfair Hotel, 1256 West 7th Street, Los Angeles, which discloses that the following were among the speakers:

WILLARD CARPENTER  
RALPH SCHLOMING  
SHEILA MANES  
ARTHUR CARSTENS

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 3/11/59

FROM : SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES  
UNION (ACLU)  
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On 2/11/59 [ ] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with a Chapter Guide for the ACLU of Southern California, which sets forth the purposes of the ACLU, the structure of the ACLU, and other matters pertinent to the formation and operations of an ACLU Chapter.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 3/11/59

FROM : SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
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On 2/25/59 [ ] furnished SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON with the February, 1959 issue of "Civil Liberties," issued by the ACLU. The leading article in this issue concerns the support of Congressman JAMES ROOSEVELT in the movement to outlaw the House Committee on Un-American Activities. b7D

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016)

DATE: 3/12/59

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(COLE BLEASE)  
3 - New York (REGISTERED)  
(CAREY MC WILLIAMS)  
("THE NATION")  
(ECLC)

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"Special Meeting  
CCPAF Executive Committee  
Monday, February 17, 1959  
7:30 P.M. - Office

- "1) ROSTER OF ATTENDANCE: Sign up Board at door.
- "2) READING OF MINUTES: Meeting of February 2, 1959.
- "3) POWELL MEETING PLANS: Secretary & NATION FBI Distribution.
- "4) FINANCE REPORT: Mr. KONIGSBERG.
- "5) FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING (Preliminary Report): Mr. ELCONIN  
(Full Report and list of potential sustainers will be presented  
at CCPAF Bd. Meeting on March 2).
- "6) STATE LEGISLATIVE PROSPECTS (Preliminary Report): DOROTHY MARSHALL  
and JANET STEVENSON re appointment with Assemblyman O'CONNELL;  
FRANK WILKINSON and MARY CLARKE re meeting with FCL's COLE BLEASE.  
(Full report at March 2 Exec. Brd. Meeting).
- "7) ATTACK UPON LAWYERS: LARRY SPERBER.  
  
Action by CCPAF: D I S C U S S I O N.
- "8) FEBRUARY 24 Hearings: Secretary, introduction of subpoenae's  
Public Meeting Sub-Committee.  
  
ACTION BY CCPAF: D I S C U S S I O N
- "9) POLICY DISCUSSION REGARDING ROOSEVELT's H. RES. 53: Mr. ELCONIN  
  
D I S C U S S I O N S: Determination of CCPAF Policy.
- "10) OTHER BUSINESS
- "11) NEXT MEETING: Monday, March 2, 1959

"MINUTES

"ROSTER ATTACHED

"CCPAF EXECUTIVE BOARD - SPECIAL MEETING  
Monday, Feb. 17, 1959 - 7:30 PM. Office

"CHAIRMAN - DOROTHY MARSHALL.

- "1. Minutes of the Executive Board meeting of Feb. 2, were read  
by DRU BAETCKE, Executive Board Secretary, and approved.
- "2. POWELL MEETING PLANS - Secretary reporting:



"A private meeting for fund-raising purposes has been set for March 22, at which time LINUS PAULING and A. L. WIRIN will be the principle speakers. A place for the meeting will be arranged by Mr. WIRIN. It will be held under auspices of the Powell Committee, with assistance from CCPAF on an extra curricular basis. Entire financial proceeds from this meeting will benefit the POWELLS.

"3. NATION - FBI issue

"The Secretary reported that CCPAF has mailed 100 copies of the NATION-FBI issue, with covering letter, to 100 community leaders. Proceeds from previous sales will cover cost of same, including mailing. Additional copies are still on sale in CCPAF office.

"4. STATE LEGISLATION PROSPECTS (Preliminary Report)

"JANET STEVENSON and DOROTHY MARSHALL reporting:

"A) A personal interview with Assemblyman O'CONNELL following the Lawyers Guild luncheon, Feb. 14, brought forth the following information:

"O'CONNELL will introduce 3 or 4 bills, including the repeal of the Levering Act. He stated that other Assemblymen would introduce bills repealing the DILWORTH and LUCKEL laws. Lobbies and organized support from churches, etc. for his civil liberties bills would be helpful at this time.

"B) FRANK WILKINSON reporting:

"The Secretary and MARY CLARKE attended an ACLU Legislative Committee meeting on Feb. 15. COLE BLEASE, Friends Committee lobbyist from Sacramento, made a factual report on civil liberties legislation, suggesting the following legislative priorities:

"1) O'CONNELL to offer a bill eliminating that part of the Levering enabling legislation requiring a loyalty oath from churches and veterans as the basis of tax exemption. BLEASE feels that this will be the most like success for civil liberties legislation due to the Supreme Court's Unitarian Church decision.

"2) Assembly Constitutional Amendment 8: Repeal of the Levering oath. Arguments favoring this effort at this time: A) the new Democratic tide; B) the fact that California operated without this oath from 1879 to 1952; C) a referendum always has the advantage of 'letting the people decide.'

"3) 'Little Red Schoolhouse' (oath requirement for school use.) O'CONNELL will introduce legislation to abolish this oath.

"4) DILWORTH bill (teachers).

"5) LUCKEL bill (all public employees).

"BLEASE discussed the possibility of 'piecemeal repeal' approach, rather than outright repeal, as possibly sound strategy on both LUDEL and DILWORTH.

"5. FINANCE REPORT - R. KONIGSBERG, Treasurer:

"Present bank balance \$750.00

"6. ELCONIN - reporting on the Finance Committee meeting Feb.9:

"The Committee recommends a program involving all members of the Executive Board to increase sustainers by an additional \$200 a month in order to meet CCPAF's overhead. The Finance Committee will draw up a list of potential sustainers, to be presented at the next regular meeting, March 2. Each member of the Executive Board will be asked to see 3 or more sustainer prospects. It is hoped that the Secretary need not be involved in this campaign.

"The Secretary reported that the present financial reserve is rapidly being diminished and that a minimum of \$1000 should be kept in reserve at all times. Through personal contacts he has obtained an additional \$25 a month in new sustainers.

"7. ATTACK UPON LAWYERS - L. SPERBER reporting:

"The recent attack by the HCUA on the so-called 'elite corps' of attorneys is fantastic. This is an obvious attempt to intimidate members of the legal profession who represent clients in opposition to the HCUA. SPERBER feels that the Lawyers Guild is in a strong position to fight back. The Attorney General's attempt to list the Lawyers Guild failed. The charges of the HCUA are an attempt to prevent attorneys from defending persons who have been subpoenaed before the Committee and to deprive them of their Constitutional rights.

"A proposal by JANET STEVENSON that the Executive Committee give SPERBER a vote of thanks for his statement to the Los Angeles Times brought forth hearty applause.

"The Chairman reported that the CCPAF attempted to issue a statement, which was not accepted as CCPAF had not been mentioned in the HCUA Report.

"8. FEBRUARY 25th HEARINGS: Secretary; introduction of subpoenaees.

"Action by CCPAF:

"A) A pamphlet prepared by RUTH DECKER, with the assistance of DON WHEELDIN, a subpoenaee group, and a volunteer artist, is now at the printers, after being approved by PHIL KERBY and DOROTHY MARSHALL for the CCPAF. It includes references to the attack on the attorneys.

"B) ACLU is preparing a court suit through one of the subpoenaees, directly against the HCUA, for their attempt to intimidate subpoenaees and their legal representation.

"C) Subpoenees (25) have been organized into a defense group to discuss and develop adequate publicity, public meetings, legal representation, and finances. Subpoenees will approach TV and radio outlets to obtain time to answer the allegations of the HCUA. A general discussion of different approaches followed, with many constructive suggestions.

"D) The Secretary reported that ACLU is holding an Executive Board meeting to decide the matter of sponsoring a public meeting on Feb. 23, at which time Congressman ROOSEVELT will be asked to come to Los Angeles to speak.

"CCPAF would give support to the ACLU meeting, in such an event, or sponsor a meeting itself in the event ACLU does not do so. CCPAF is holding tentative reservations at 4 halls for Feb. 23: North Star Auditorium, The Embassy, the Alexandria Hotel, and Baces Hall. The Secretary recommends that North Star Auditorium would be the most suitable, location-wise, and financially as the rental is \$30.00, and is the first recommendation of the subpoenaees.

"M/S/C that the Secretary and the Chairman be empowered to make a decision in this matter.

"General discussion followed as to the selection of speakers for this meeting. Following names were among those mentioned by various members of the group: ELEANOR ROOSEVELT, STRINGFELLOW BARR, ALAN BARTH, RAY BRADBURY, DAN MARSHALL, DOROTHY MARSHALL,

"DALTON TRUMBO, ALEMENA LOMAX, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and past subpoenaees.

"It was the consensus that community figures and representatives of the subpoenaees would be more suitable and effective than a national speaker for this meeting.

"CHARLENE MITCHELL stated that the subpoenaees feel that a public meeting is important to reach the community and to support the people involved. Also to build morale. The following people volunteered for a committee to obtain speakers for this meeting: DAVE GORDON, FRANK WHITLEY, and R. KONIGSBERG.

"The subject of finances and distribution of funds will be brought before the subpoenaees meeting on Feb. 18. SOPHIE KISHNER, DOROTHY MARSHALL and R. KONIGSBERG were authorized to act for CCPAF.

"9. POLICY DISCUSSION REGARDING ROOSEVELT RESOLUTION #53 - ELCONIN:

"Following a luncheon with EASON MONROE, BEN MARGOLIS, and FRANK WILKINSON, ELCONIN analyzed the reactions of this group to the ROOSEVELT Resolution. Each member of this group gave reasons for going along with ROOSEVELT and all felt that it was a big step forward. There is much concern, however, over the addition of 'seditious activities' to the jurisdiction of the House Committee on the Judiciary. It is felt that this may be an opportunity for a future attack on civil liberties, and a mandate to continue unconstitutional investigations. There was considerable misgiving expressed against CCPAF giving blanket support to the ROOSEVELT Resolution.

"On the other hand, the thought was presented that if we fail to support ROOSEVELT now it may be many years before any Congressman makes another resolution to abolish the HCUA.

"It was also pointed out that CCPAF blanket endorsement of ROOSEVELT's #53 might deceive others regarding the danger in the 'seditious activities' clause.

"It was stated that ECLC has issued a resolution commending ROOSEVELT for introducing the issue but is opposing the addition of 'seditious activities.'

"M/S/C we congratulate ROOSEVELT on introducing his Resolution and support his efforts to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities. While we

"support ROOSEVELT's efforts, we also point out that we think the Resolution could be improved by removal of that section which adds 'seditious activities' to the jurisdiction of the House Judiciary Committee.

"The Secretary reminded the Executive Board that the Supreme Court decision on the BARRENBLOTT case may be forthcoming on Feb. 23. Both the HCUA and ROOSEVELT are awaiting this decision before deciding any further action on the Floor of the House.

"10. Meeting adjourned at 10 PM. Next meeting March 2, 1959.

"ROSTER - CCPAF Executive Board meeting 2/17/59.

"ISRAEL FEUER  
ELNA VANDERGROOT  
JANET STEVENSON  
MARY CLARKE  
LARRY SPERBER  
HARRY STEINGART  
R. KONIGSBERG  
TOM NELSON  
ROBERT KLONSKY  
CHARLENE MITCHELL  
RUTH BISHOP

"RICHARD SHERWIN  
WM. ELCONIN  
BERNARD M. GELSON  
MILDRED PECK  
SAMUEL PECK  
JERRY HALL  
J. EDGAR HOOVER per CAREY MC WILLIAMS  
ALEX ENDE  
SOPHIE KISHNER  
RUBIN DECKER  
AUGUST MAYMUDES  
DAVID GORDON."

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

Index: COLE BLEASE, Assemblyman O'CONNELL,  
ELEANOR ROOSEVELT, STRINGFELLOW BARR, ALAN BARTH,  
RAY BRADBURY, [REDACTED]

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016) b6  
FROM : SA [REDACTED] b7C  
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Informant furnished the following report:

"AGENDA  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
CCPAF  
MONDAY, MARCH 2, 1959  
7:30 to 9:00 P.M.

- "1) READING OF THE MINUTES: DRU BAETCKE  
"2) ATTENDANCE ROSTER: Clip Board at door  
"3) REPORT ON ANTI-CIVIL LIBERTIES COUNTERATTACK: Secretary  
" -- The Los Angeles Hearings: Mrs. SHIFRA GOLDMAN  
" -- The ABA Anti-Supreme Court Legislative Proposals: SPERBER.

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100-33973 (COMINFIL, 1st UNITARIAN CHURCH)  
100-3267 (AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION)  
100-55890 (SANE, INC.)  
100-47309 (FRIENDS COM. ON LEGISLATION)

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(Report continued on next page.)

"DISCUSSION:

"What should CCPAF do: Locally - Nationally.

"4) REPORT ON FINANCE COMMITTEE SUSTAINER PROGRAM: ELCONIN

" -- Treasurer's Report: Balance \$771.98

"D I S C U S S I O N & Division of Sustainer Drive  
Responsibilities among Brd.Members.

"5) CLASS OF FEBRUARY, 1959: New Board Member Nomination:

"Mrs. SHIFRA GOLDMAN: Election

"6) OTHER BUSINESS

"7) NEXT MEETING: Monday, April 6, 1959

"8) ADJOURNMENT

"MINUTES

"CCPAF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Monday, March 2, 1959 - 7:30 PM - Office.

"Roster attached.

"CHAIRMAN: DOROTHY MARSHALL

"#1 Minutes of the Executive Board meeting of Feb. 17 were read  
by DRU BAETCKE, Executive Board Secretary, and approved.

"#2 CLASS OF FEBRUARY 1959 - new Board Member nomination:

"Nomination of SHIFRA GOLDMAN to the Executive Board of  
CCPAF was proposed by the Chairman.

"M/S/C that SHIFRA GOLDMAN become a member of CCPAF Executive Board.

"#3 REPORT ON ANTI-CIVIL LIBERTIES COUNTER ATTACK - Secretary:

"The Secretary stated his opinion that:

"A. The counter attack of the anti-civil liberties forces is  
stronger at this time than our offensive for civil liberties.

"B. The national campaign to abolish the House Committee on  
Un-American Activities, while successfully launched, is  
seriously lagging.



"C. The attacks against the U.S. Supreme Court's recent civil liberties decisions are within striking distance of success; one or more of the following decisions may be overturned or otherwise nullified by the 1st session of the 86th Congress:

"NELSON: State sedition laws; WATKINS: House Committee on Un-American Activities; YATES: Smith Act; KENT-BRIEHL: Passports; COLE: Federal loyalty-security program, etc.

"The Secretary reported that on 3/2/59, the House of Representatives had voted unanimously to nullify that part of the YATES Decision pertaining to the definition of 'organize' under the Smith Act.

"SHIFRA GOLDMAN report that recent Los Angeles hearings of the HCUA were obviously disappointing to the Committee. Among the 31 people involved there were no informers, and morale of subpoenaees was excellent.

"The subpoenaees received good publicity on TV, the radio, and in the press. To date there has been no loss of jobs. However, in 2 cases (involving a Los Angeles County employee and a Community Chest employee) there is a pending threat.

"Mrs. GOLDMAN reported that the subpoenaee group raised all but \$800 or \$900 of the costs involved in placing ads in the 'Mirror' and 'Los Angeles Tribune', the new literature 'Repeat defense. An 'Abolition Dance,' celebrating their united defense will take place March 7 at Victoria Hall, for which tickets have been distributed. Members of the Executive Board were asked to attend to greet the Class of February, 1959.

"4 Confronted with the announced threat that the HCUA may return to Los Angeles in June to develop further the attack on teachers and members of the Mexican-American community, the Executive Board discussed ways and means of meeting this situation ahead of time. It was the consensus that plans should not await announcement of the June hearings before initiating a program. Many important people can be reached in the meantime, and the following organizations were suggested to be contacted in developing a program of action:

"HUGH MANES - Lawyers Guild  
WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION  
COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATION  
UNITARIAN CHURCH  
SANE  
FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION  
ACLU  
Unions  
Foreign born groups  
Educational groups.

"M/S/C that a committee be named to assist in drawing these groups together.

"Following members of the Executive Board volunteered to act as a committee representing CCPAF: LARRY SPERBER, RUTH DECKER, RAPHAEL KONIGSBERG, HALLIE TENNER, and MARTIN HALL.

- "5 The Secretary reported that he is preparing material for a report to our national contacts. National contacts are also being maintained by correspondence.
- "6 M/S/C that the Executive Committee raise funds for costs of printing and mailings before material is printed.
- "Some members of the Executive Board feel that a national campaign on Abolition is seriously lagging. The suggestion of a campaign of letter-writing and telegrams to Congressional representatives were discussed.
- "7 M/S/C that the Secretary take the necessary steps for the preparation of effective literature on the threatened HCUA return investigation into educational and the Mexican-American and other national minority groups.
- "8 THE ABA ANTI-SUPREME COURT LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS: L. SPERBER reporting:
- "The ABA Resolution (Chicago) takes no position on passports.
- "The ABA Resolutions, he feels, have been affected by the HCUA's recent 'elite corps' attack upon lawyers. The ABA president has called for the disbarment of the 39 attorneys named. Mr. SPERBER feels that the attack on the 12 local attorneys will not be fruitful. He asked that action against disbarment be left to the lawyers involved and the Lawyers Guild.
- "Mr. SPERBER stated his belief that NAACP attorneys will also come under fire, as the basic cause of the attack is desegregation. The ABA drive to nullify the Supreme Court civil liberties decisions stems from the South. He feels that this is the most powerful attack since the days of the Liberty League in the 1930's.
- "Mr. SPERBER stated that in his opinion the ROOSEVELT Resolution has reached a deadend and the larger issue of defending the Supreme Court must now take precedence. He hopes on this issue that some of the NAACP leadership will fight with CCPAF.
- "9 The Secretary reported that he is working with delegate to the CDC convention in Fresno and hopes to attend as an alternate delegate from his Democratic Club.

"M/S/C that the Executive Board authorize the payment of expenses for the Chairman and the Secretary to both attend the CDC convention in Fresno.

"#10 REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE SUSTAINER PROGRAM - ELCONIN  
reporting:

"The Finance Committee recommends that the Executive Board take over the responsibility of contacting 100 people for the purpose of obtaining additional sustainer income. There was no disagreement as to the necessity of raising \$200 additional monthly income. He stated that the Finance Committee feels that the Secretary's duties should not include sustainer fund-raising. It was suggested that CCPAF literature is needed to assist those approaching prospective sustainers.

"M/S/C that material be prepared to fulfill this need.

"A list of prospective sustainers, prepared by the Finance Committee was handed to members of the Executive Board with the request that each member indicate the names of the people whom he will personally contact.

"#11 The Treasurer reported that the present bank balance is \$772.00.

"#12 Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM. Next meeting April 6.

"CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE AMERICAN FREEDOMS  
Executive Board meeting - March 2, 1959, 617 N. Larchmont

"ROSTER

"FRANK WILKINSON - Secretary  
DOROTHY MARSHALL - Chairman  
FRANK WHITLEY  
MONA CHESTER  
TOM NELSON  
MARTIN HALL  
LAURENCE SPERBER  
WM. ELCONIN  
RAPHAEL KONIGSBERG  
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ACTION:

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267), Date 3/18/59

FROM: SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
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Informants' report is as follows: (C)

"March 6, 1959 (C)

"Went to A.C.L.U. meeting held on March 6, 1959 at the Meth. Church on Broadway in Anaheim. (C)

"Those attending were as follows: (C)

BERT & HELEN DUGDALE  
ARLEEN HEBERT  
TED & RUTH KNOWLTON  
THELMA LEDBETTER

AL APEL  
MANUEL SANTONA

cc: [redacted]

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100-56576 (T. LEDBETTER) (SI)  
100-54774 [redacted] (SI)  
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"The meeting was mostly Pro & Con about the Juvenile situation. They decided to investigate some more. (C)

"Then MANUEL SANTONA brought up the Un American Committee and how they left town in a hurry after after WERIN threaten to sue them over say ACLU was communist. He said he had a friend who was called before the committee and had to obtain a lawyer. He said he felt that since these people did had to get attorneys & pay them that we as a group should have an affair and raise some money. He said this friend want to borrow some money from him but he didn't have it. They first were going to ask for money by mail but then decided to try & have an affair. No date set. (C)

"Nomination were as follows. MANUEL SANTONA as chairman, but he declined. [redacted] TED HOOKER, Vice chairman, [redacted] [redacted] but she declined, Secretary Treasurer BERT DUGDALE, THELMA LEDBETTER, AILENE HEBERT but she declined. (C)

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"A [redacted] to [redacted] is as follows: [redacted] AL APEL, TED KNOWLTON, BERT DUGDALE, & MANUEL to help. This affair is for the money for the defendent lawyers fee. No date was set for next meeting. (C)

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#### ACTION

Informants were thoroughly interviewed and advised they had no additional information regarding this memo.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55822) DATE: 3/13/59

FROM: SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: ORANGE COUNTY SECTION  
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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| [redacted]<br>and [redacted]<br>who have furnished reliable information in the past and whose identities should be concealed. | Orange County CP Club meeting, 2/23/59<br>b7D | 2/25/59 | writer | [redacted]<br>b7D |
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Informants reported as follows: (c)

"2/25/59 (c)

"Went to Communist Party meeting held at [redacted]  
[redacted] in [redacted] on Feb. 23, 1959. Those  
attending were as follows: (c)

[redacted] (c)

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"The agenda consisted of PW membership & Good & Welfare (c)

"We discussed our quota for the PW. \$40 has already been sent in. Our quota is \$276. 30% of that is suppose to (c)

cc: [redacted] (c)

[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
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[redacted] (SI)

100-22415 [redacted] (SI)  
97-16 (PW)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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"be in by March 20, 1959. [redacted] our [redacted]  
[redacted] gave a financial report. He has \$16.70 in the P.W.  
Fund. [redacted] paid \$4.30 which was for Feb. and  
\$.30 for January. [redacted] turned in \$2 for half of  
February. (c)

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[redacted] suggested since he had the mailing list  
of the A.C.L.U. which consisted of 170 people in Orange Co.  
that he send them a sample of P.W. We all agreed. (c)

"On membership we decided we've got to try & get  
new members but no one had any suggestions. [redacted]  
made a report on the S.O. meeting held at DORTHY HEALEY's.  
The next meeting will be at [redacted] home in Los Alamitos. (c)

ACTION: Informants were thoroughly interviewed  
and advised they could furnish no  
additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this  
memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267) DATE: 3/13/59

FROM: SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES  
UNION (ACLU)  
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| [redacted]<br>and [redacted]<br>who have furnished reliable information in the past and whose identities should be concealed. | ACLU meeting,<br>2/13/59,<br>Anaheim, Calif.<br><br>b7D | 2/19/59  | writer | [redacted]<br><br>b7D |

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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The informants' report is as follows: (c)

"2/19/59  
Santa Ana, California (c)

"On 2/13/59 a group of individuals interested in forming a chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union in Orange County met at the home of TED HOOKER in Anaheim, California. Those present were: (c)

"BERT & HELEN DUGDALE  
TED HOOKER  
MANUEL SANTANA  
AL APPEL  
BILL CARPENTER  
[redacted] (c)

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cc: [redacted]

100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-47203 (H. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-10628 (A. APPEL) (SI)  
100-41885 [redacted]  
100-50269 (T. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56569 (R. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)

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"TED and RUTH KNOWLTON (C)  
BILL LELAND  
WILLIAM WOODS

"The meeting was called by TED HOOKER for the purpose of discussing the case of the seven juveniles recently incarcerated at the Juvenile Hall for local charges and to solicit the assistance of ACLU on their behalf. At the meeting BILL CARPENTER, representative of the ACLU, was present to determine whether or not the case warranted the help of the ACLU - CARPENTER, after hearing the facts of the case as presented to him by those present advised that the ACLU was only interested in the case if it could be shown that the Civil Rights of the juveniles had been jeopardized. (C)

"TED HOOKER, during the course of the discussion, advised that he and BILL LELAND, editor of the Forum, a Costa Mesa Weekly newspaper, had attempted to obtain the names and addresses of the juveniles parents. He said they were unable to obtain the information. MANUEL SANTANA then stated he could obtain the desired information through a private source he would not disclose. He then made a phone call and obtained the information which he furnished to the group. (C)

"At the conclusion of the meeting, BILL CARPENTER advised the group that if they wished to become a recognized chapter of the ACLU in Orange County the group should elect its officers and then submit its charter to the ACLU in Los Angeles. (C)

"The group then voted to nominate individuals for officers at the next meeting on 3/6/59." (C)

ACTION: The informants were thoroughly interviewed and advised they could furnish no additional information.

The names of BILL CARPENTER, BILL LELAND, MANUEL SANTANA, and WILLIAM WOODS are being indexed to this memo (C)

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) Date 3/23/59

FROM: SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN

SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)  
INTERNAL SECURITY-C

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| [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed | (C) LITERATURE b7D | 3/18/59  | writer | See below |

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cc: [redacted] (C) b7D

100-47309 (FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION)

100-43886 [redacted]

100-24342 (CP LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES)

100-DEAD [redacted]

100-DEAD [redacted]

100-DEAD [redacted]

100-24388 (E. AUERBACH)

100-7959 (H. KING)

100-24400 (S. SHANER)

100-41172 [redacted]

100-56284 (I. WOLFSON)

100-57589 [redacted]

100-53496 (E. BREITWEISS)

100-54099 [redacted]

100-24946 (R. KAVNER)

100-57234 (B. KRUPNICK)

100-57232 (D. LURIE)

100-57100 (S. ROSENBERG)

100-57127 [redacted]

100-28091 [redacted]

100-38629 [redacted]

100-54061 (S. KRASNIK)

100-54001 (D. RICHNER)

100-56990 (H. BROWN)

124-1150 [redacted]

100-6133 (L. FEUCHTWANGER)

100-23720 (R. FRIEDMAN)

100-27874 (A. MESCHES)

100-32634 (R. KONIGSBERG)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-47307 (FRONTIER MAGAZINE)

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Informant furnished the following literature:

1. "A Congressional Directory to Aid in Legislative Action -The Eighty-Sixth Congress." This 18-page pamphlet, was one of a number of similar copies furnished to the women attending the monthly meeting of the Valley Chapter of WLA on February 26, 1959. It lists the names of members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives by States and Congressional Districts; and also list the members of all the standing committees of both the Senate and the House. (Location: Destroyed).

2. Booklet, "This Life We Take-- The Case Against the Death Penalty," issued by the Friends Committee on Legislation. Price 15¢. According to the title page of this booklet, it is a revised edition of a pamphlet published in 1955 under the same title. Publication date of this particular item is indicated as January, 1959. Copies of this were also furnished women attending the Valley Chapter of WLA general meeting on 2/26/59. (Location: [REDACTED]) (C) b7D

3. "FCL ACTION-Capital Punishment Action Sheet," issued by the California Friends Committee on Legislation; 122 North Hudson, Pasadena, California. This sheet calls for contact with BILL STOUT, KNXT, Los Angeles, to request a repeat performance of the television show entitled, "Thou Shalt Not Kill." (Location: [REDACTED]) (C) b7D

4. "FRONTIER," magazine, Volume 10, No. 5; March, 1959 issue. This contains an article by SI subject, RALPH FRIEDMAN on page 19, on the topic of "LION FEUCHTWANGER," (deceased SI subject). It is also noted that SI subject ARNOLD DAVID MESCHES was the illustrator of the magazine cover, and an additional illustration bearing the initial signature "M" (probably also MESCHES) is on page 2. RAPHAEL KOENIGSBERG, (SI subject) also has his usual advertisement in this issue. (Location: 100-47307-1B)

5. "Bulletin" of the Valley Chapter of WLA, Vol. IV, No. 7, March, 1959 issue. This indicates that the president of the chapter continues to be SONNY KRASIK, and the editors of the "Bulletin", to be BELLE KRUPNICK and SYLVIA ROSENBERG. This announces that the next speaker before the chapter general meeting of March 19, 1959, will be ZANE MECKLER of the Citizens Committee for Better Schools. Page 4 of this "Bulletin" indicates that DOROTHY RICHNER and HARRIET BROWN (Organizational Secretary and Dues Secretary

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respectively) are combining their talents in a new business venture. Page 9 lists the following women as having joined the WLA at the Annual Membership Luncheon at the Ram's Horn, 2/21/59:

ESSIE AUERBACH  
RACHEL HIMMELSTEIB  
HELEN KING  
ELINOR LEE  
SERENA SHANER  
BERTHA THOMAS  
ILSA WOLFSON

"Also on page 9, the following women were listed as having joined the WLA during the 1958-59 membership year, but prior to the 2/21/59 meeting:

AULALIE BIRMINGHAM  
EDITH BLEIWEISS (noted that she has an article on "Suggestions for Solutions" of the East Berlin Crisis on page 4 of this "Bulletin.")  
ROSE FRANZUS  
MIRIAM GELLMAN  
ROSE KAVENER  
BELLE KRUPNICK (has article on Page 3 of "Bulletin")  
DEVERA LURIE  
SOPHIE MARKUS  
JESSIE SHIELL  
FANNY STEIN

"Page 11 of the "Bulletin" indicates that the WLA cooperates" ... with other organizations such as the American Civil Liberties Union, the Friends Com. on Legislation on special projects and use their literature in our work."  
(Location: [redacted])

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ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

It is recommended that 100-DEAD files be opened on the following new members of the WLA as noted in item [redacted] above: [redacted] It

is to be noted that a 124 subject file exists on [redacted] and a copy of this memo is being channelized to that file.

All other necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) Date 3/18/59

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  
IS-SWP

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| [REDACTED] and who have furnished reliable information in the past and whose identities should be concealed | 3/8/59   | 3/9/59   | writer | [REDACTED] |

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Informants' report is quoted as follows: (C)

"March 9, 1959  
Santa Ana, Calif. (C)

"On Sunday March 8, 1959, there was a social gathering of Socialist Worker Party members and contacts at the [REDACTED] Calif. (C)

[REDACTED] (C)

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cc: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
100-23847 (J. CANNON) (SI)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-29455 (A. APPEL) (SI)

[1-NEW YORK (REGISTERED) 100-4013 (SWP)] (X)

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"During discussion it was disclosed that [redacted] is now employed by Alpha Beta Markets at a store in [redacted] Calif. Prior to the arrival of the [redacted] [redacted] said that there was indication from letters from National Committee members of the SWP to JAMES P. CANNON, National Chairman, SWP, that the regroupment tactic may possibly be dropped at the next national convention. (c)

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[redacted] talked about the efforts to form an American Civil Liberties Union Chapter in Orange County. He said there was a split into a right wing and a left wing. He said a meeting of the ACLU was held recently and that SWP members, except AL APPEL, were not notified. (c)

[redacted] is a [redacted] for the [redacted] [redacted] on Washington St., Los Angeles, near the Lever Brothers soap company. During World War II he was a [redacted] where he met and married [redacted] Up until last summer he was [redacted] of Anaheim Democratic Club. He appeared to be active in the ACLU but did not appear to want to take an active part. [redacted] is [redacted] of a member of the [redacted] and [redacted] was an active [redacted] She also said her father was an [redacted] and she said she is also opposed to the Communist Party. [redacted] said he subscribes to the 'Militant.' (c)

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#### ACTION

Informants were thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above.

[redacted] file should be opened and his new employment verified. (c)

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[ ] decided we had better not send the A.C.L.U. any P.W. samples. He said we would run into trouble with the S.W.P. (c)

"While on the subject of S.W.P. [ ] spoke up & said [ ] was S.W.P. We asked her about MANUEL SANTANA. She said he wasn't S.W.P. but Communist party. He belongs to the Miscellaneous Club in Los Angeles. She said he has to be very careful due to the fact his wife work for the school. (c)

[ ] reported that the Foreign Born were having an all day conference on March 28, 1959. On membership we discussed BEE FRENCH & decided to tell her if she doesn't pay up we will have to drop her. Next meeting on March 24, 1959 at [ ] home. (c)

ACTION

Informants were thoroughly interviewed and advised they had no additional information concerning the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 4/6/59

FROM : SA ROMNEY STEWART

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be concealed | Mtg. of Southwest Chapter, ACLU, 3/6/59 | 3/30/59 | Writer | [redacted] |
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On 3/12/59, [redacted] furnished a report to SA ROMNEY STEWART which was taken in dictation by Stenographer [redacted]

[redacted] Upon transcription of report it was reviewed and initialed by informant on 3/30/59. This report is as follows:

"March 12, 1959

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"Meeting of the Southwest Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union on Friday, March 6, 1959, at 3680 Fairway Boulevard, Los Angeles, California

"This was a debate between HOWARD JARVIS, Vice Chairman of the Los Angeles County Republican Assembly, and ALLEN SIEROTY, Chairman of the ACLU Petition Drive. The subject was should the House Committee on Un-American Activities be eliminated.

"JARVIS spoke almost the entire evening. He quoted from the recent publication of the HCUA, and during the course of his remarks spent about 40% of his time

cc: [redacted]

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"eulogizing the FBI in such a manner that the net result of his remarks constituted an indictment. As a matter of fact, some people during the coffee period following the debate were overheard to remark that whatever respect they had had for the FBI had certainly gone down the drain as the result of JARVIS' remarks.

"They are reorganizing the ACLU chapter now, to include the entire southwest area. They combined the previous Gardena Club and the Westchester Club to make this Southwest. They did not indicate what main orientation they planned to have, except that this emphasis on the HCUA following the petition campaign indicates that they are going to continue to emphasize the HCUA."

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016) Date 3/31/59

FROM: SA LESLIE F. WARREN

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE AMERICAN FREEDOMS  
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| [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed | 3/7/59 b7D | 3/18/59 | Writer | [redacted] b7D |
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Set out below is a verbatim copy of informants report.

"Los Angeles Calif.  
March 12th, 1959

"There was a dance held at the Victoria Hall, 2570 West Pico, Los Angeles, Calif given by the Committee to Preserve American Freedom on Sat. night March 7th, 1959.

"A man about 45 of age about 170 or 185 wt, ht. 5'9" or 5'10" said that he was from Texas said that he was a preacher in Texas he said that he had appeared before the Committee on Un American in Texas he acted as chairman

cc: [redacted] b7D

100-56548 (B. HERRON)  
100-52571 (C. MITCHELL)  
100-3267-0ACLU)  
100-52572 [redacted]  
100-4959 (H. ALEXANDER)  
100-21500 (E. ALEXANDER)  
100-41235 (B. MARGOLIS)  
100-41247 [redacted]  
100-16439 (F. WILKINSON)  
100-3108 [redacted]  
100-7530 [redacted]  
100-25492 (H. BIBER)

100-23747 (S. BIBER)  
100-44910 (A. JACKSON)  
100-42713 (E. MONROE)  
100-56499 (E. BARRETT)  
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introducing the speaker, the first, MONROE from the American Civil Liberty Union he said that when he had to appear before the committee on UnAmerican he said that he Just got to Los Angeles from Texas and did not no to many people in Los Angeles and that he did not no what to do so some one told him to call MONROE and he would tell him what to do so he did and MONROE told him what to do and also got him a lawyer.

"He said that when he went before the Committee on UnAmerican in Los Angeles Calif he was well suplyed with legal advice. He than introduce MONROE. MONROE said he think that the committee on Un American wont be back in June as they said that they would do. He said if they do come back to Los Angeles they will find the American Civil Liberties Union still ready to fight them here in Los Angeles or any where they might appear he said that on bill asking that the committee be stop by the Congress by not give it money. He call for a all out fight against the committee on UnAmerican to end it.

"The next was a school teacher who appeared before the Committee on UnAmerican. Her name was FLORENCE the last I dont not but she was about 40 or 45, wt about 140, ht. about 5'2" or 5'4", hair mix gray she said that she was a school teacher and have been for some time but she will not sign her rights away by letting anyone tell her how to think and who to associate with. She said she would join with others to fight this Committee on Un American. She said she was glad to join with so many wonderful people.

"The next was FRANK WILKERSON, one time manager for the Housing Agency. He said that this Committee to Perserve American Freedom which he is chairman of had done a good job by having this affair in so short a time. He said that he and the committee are out to get rid of this Committee on Un American. He pointed out that when the Committee on Un American was in Los Angeles it was hoping to find onefriendly witness but it found none. He said that the committee on Un American should be bar from causing the people to lose their jobs and get black marks against them. He said that his committee was dedicated to fight and that it will keep on fighting until the committee on Un American is destroyed. and done away with he call for everyone to fight.

"The chairman ask for everyone to give money to fight with.

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"About 150 people was there

"Some of the names I no

CHARLENE MITCHELL  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

BILL HERRON  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

ARVILLA JACKSON  
[REDACTED]

HERSHEL ALEXANDER & WIFE."

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ACTION

Informant was questioned thoroughly regarding above report and he could not furnish anything additional.

SA R.H. CLAUDIUS determined from [REDACTED] orally, 3/27/59, that the chairman of the above affair 3/7/59 referred to by informant was MALCOLM DOBBS, who operates Quindt Swimming Pools, 8416 Reseda Boulevard, Northridge, California, Dickens 5-4020, whereas the school teacher who spoke was FLORENCE SLOAT, both SI subjects and both fitting descriptions furnished by [REDACTED] (c)

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All necessary action concerning the above has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3266) Date 3/31/59

FROM: SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 DR/KCH  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 12-29-97

| SOURCE                                                                                               | ACTIVITY         | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed | ACLU mtg. 2/6/59 | 2/7/59   | writer | [redacted] |

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Informant's report is as follows:

"Feb. 7, 1959 (C)

"On Feb. 6, 1959 some of the Communist Party members of Orange County attended a meeting of the American Civil Liberties Union held at the Methodist Church on the corner of Philadelphia and Broadway in Anaheim. Those attending were TED and RUTH KNOWLTON, THELMA LEDBETTER, BURT and HELEN DUGDALE, ALLEEN and JOE HEBERT, others were AL APPEL, TED HOOKER, [redacted] MANNY SANTANA, Mr. and Mrs. HENRY WOODS, [redacted] (C)

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"MANNY SANTANA explained about the three boys who escaped from juvenile hall in Santa Ana saying that only one of the boys and parents had been located and had been interviewed, but that so far they had found no real infringements on civil rights. It was suggested that conditions at juvenile (C)

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100-56569 (R. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-47203 (H. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-52969 (A. HEBERT)  
100-57372 (J. HEBERT)  
100-29445 (A. APPEL)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-56996 [redacted] (SI)  
100-46678 (M. SANTANA)  
100-54774 [redacted] (SI)  
100-56576 (T. LEDBETTER) (SI)

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hall be looked into, but MANNY explained that he did not think that was the role of the ACLU. He introduced a woman from San Fernando chapter of the ACLU who said she had been asked to explain the stand of the ACLU on helping some of the people who had been subpoenaed by the Un-American Committee. She said her husband was a lawyer who had been one of the lawyers helping these people and that they needed money to pay their legal expenses. She stated that it was all right to raise money for this purpose if the members agreed. TED KNOWLTON said he would like to know just who was being helped and MANNY said that some of his friends had called and asked for funds to waylay their expenses. TED stated that he had friends too who needed help in the same way and that he would like to be sure they would get help also. It was decided to have a party and raise money for this purpose. (C)

"Nominations were made for offices of the ACLU chapter in Orange County and elections will take place at the next meeting." (C)

ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

The names of Mr. and Mrs. HENRY WOODS are being indexed to this memo. (C)

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
From

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION of Southern California  
2863 West Ninth St., Los Angeles 6, DU 5-6234

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DATE 09-25-2013

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100-21701

Nathan Douglas and Harold Jacob Smith, authors of "The Defiant Ones"

which received nine Academy Award nominations, will appear as special guests at a public meeting on the "Hollywood Blacklist," sponsored by American Civil Liberties Union chapters Friday, April 10 at 8 p.m. in Stanley Hall, 1057 N. Stanley Ave.

Douglas and Smith, who have had personal experience with the blacklist, will join in the discussion period which will follow a new "Report on Blacklisting" to be presented by Mrs. Elizabeth Poe Kerby.

Mrs. Kerby was a research associate with the Fund for the Republic which issued a two-volume Report on Blacklisting in 1956. A former Time-Life reporter and writer, Mrs. Kerby wrote the first extensive account of the effects of the Hollywood blacklist on writers, actors and directors. The account appeared in Frontier magazine in 1954.

In her lecture Friday evening, Mrs. Kerby will present up-to-date material and describe the effects of the blacklist on motion picture content. The meeting is sponsored by the Beverly Hills-Westwood, Hollywood and Wilshire chapters of the ACLU. Donations of \$1 will be requested at the door.

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-16439)

4/9/59

SA JOHN S. TEMPLE

FRANK WILKINSON  
SM - C

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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 12-29-77

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Telegram from  
ROLLAND WATTS,  
ACLU, N.Y., to  
FRANK WILKINSON  
3/23/59

3/31/59

Writer [redacted]

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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Informant furnished a copy of the following telegram:

"WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

"New York, March 23, 1959

"FRANK WILKINSON  
617 No. Larchmont  
Los Angeles, Calif.

"Please wire immediately GEORGE DREYFOUS, National  
Bank of Commerce Bldg., New Orleans, authorization to represent  
you as attorney of record. I will continue to handle the appeal.

"/s/ ROLLAND WATTS,  
American Civil Liberties Union,  
170 5th Ave., New York."

The informant advised that a night letter was sent  
by WILKINSON to DREYFOUS authorizing him to act as attorney  
of record on behalf of WILKINSON.

cc: 2 - New York (REGISTERED)  
[ROLLAND WATTS] (ACLU)  
1 - New Orleans (REGISTERED)  
[GEORGE DREYFOUS]

[redacted]

100-3201 (ACLU)

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-33428)  
(100-21701)

April 16, 1959

SA LESLIE F. WARREN

NEDRICK YOUNG, aka  
Nathan E. Douglas  
SECURITY MATTER - C

HAROLD JACOB SMITH, aka  
Hal Smith  
SECURITY MATTER - C

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

JACK HOFFITT, writer and critic for the "Hollywood Reporter," entertainment trade publication, and an established contact of this office, 463 South Mcadden Place, Los Angeles, ME C-4583, telephoned this office April 6, 1958, and advised that the above captioned individuals, screen writers, were going to win the Academy Award that evening for the best original story and screen play "The Defiant Ones" produced by STANLEY KRAMER for United Artists release. Furthermore, YOUNG, who is writing under the name of DOUGLAS, took the "Fifth Amendment" before the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) several years ago.

HOFFITT said he was aware of the confidential nature of FBI records, but he wanted to know if SA WARREN could refer him to any public source which might determine whether or not HAL SMITH had ever "taken the fifth" or had ever been subpoenaed before the HCUA or named as a Communist by anyone who appeared before the HCUA.

HOFFITT was advised that if SMITH had been named or appeared before a public session of the HCUA, it would have been published in HCUA reports which are available to the public. Furthermore, much of the information regarding persons named and who appeared before the HCUA was obtainable from newspaper files including the "Hollywood Reporter," who published much of this type of information in years past.

- 1 - (100-33428) (N. YOUNG)
- 1 - 100-21701 (HAL SMITH)
- 1 - 100-15732 (COMPIO)
- 1 - 100-3267 (ACLU)
- 1 - 100-40947 (S. KRAMER)

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MORTITT further said that YOUNG and SMITH were to appear as guest speakers April 12, 1959, at Stanley Hall, 1857 South Stanley Avenue, Los Angeles, at 8 p.m. to talk on the "Hollywood Blacklist," admission \$1, meeting sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES ((100-3267))

FROM : SA ROMNEY STEWART

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
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DATE: 4/7/59

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On 3/30/59, [ ] who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be concealed, furnished SA ROMNEY STEWART with a copy of the ACLU publication "Civil Liberties" for March, 1959. This issue features the beating and jailing of a Negro, ASBURY HOWARD (Mine-Mill official), of Bessemer, Alabama, also an article entitled "Atlanta Court Finds WILKINSON Guilty; ACLU Set for Appeal of HUAC Test Case." This article indicates that FRANK WILKINSON had been defended by the ACLU and was found guilty of contempt of Congress in refusing to testify before the HCUA.

This document can be found in [ ]

Informant also furnished the copy of the ACLU publication "The Open Forum" for March, 1959.

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## ACTION:

Index: ASBURY HOWARD

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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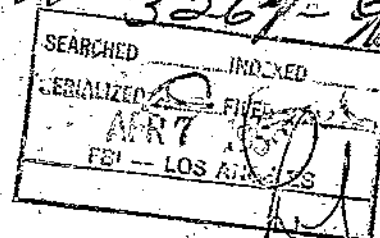
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM : UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-51729)

DATE: 4/10/59

FROM : SA MERLE L. PARKER

SUBJECT: [DOWNTOWN CLUB] (C)  
IS - C

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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383-UC/IC/H  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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| [redacted] | Downtown Club<br>Mtg., 3/24/59 | 3/30/59 | Writer | [redacted] |
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DATE 3/12/78 JSP/lrs

The Downtown Club held its meeting 3/24/59, at [redacted] Los Angeles, to discuss civil rights. It was an informal get-together of [redacted] for the purpose of meeting out leaflets inviting people to hear HORACE ALEXANDER. Also present at the meeting was one [redacted] Negro, 35 years of age, 5'6", 130 lbs. (C)

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[redacted] acted as [redacted] and gave a pitch for the POWELLS and SCHUMANS and they will hold a social 4/11/59, to raise funds for these individuals. [redacted] suggested the Downtown Club join the American Civil Liberties Union. (C)

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After the meeting [redacted] proceeded to [redacted] residence for supper during which general conversation took place (C)

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

cc: [redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (RCI)  
100-24842 (H. ALEXANDER) (SI)  
100-27540 [redacted] (SI)

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| Complainant<br>[Redacted] b6 b7C                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                            |                                                                         | Complainant's address and<br>[Redacted] L A |      |            | Complaint received<br><input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic<br>Date <b>4-21-59</b> Time <b>2 P.</b> |  |  |  |
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| <p>Complainant said that she called only to advised that a <u>A. E. MUNROE</u>,<br/>2863 W. 9th St. (soon to move to 323 W. 5th St.) tel. DU. 5-6234<br/>engaged the California Room of the Clark hotel on the behalf of the<br/>Subject Organization for a luncheon to be held there on 5-13-59.</p> |                            |                                                                         |                                             |      |            |                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |
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| Action Recommended: <u>File in subject file.</u><br><br><u>Donald L. Allen</u><br>(Agent)                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                            |                                                                         |                                             |      |            |                                                                                                                                                |  |  |  |

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 4/15/59

FROM : SA CLAUDE E. WILLIS, JR.

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
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The above leaflet was received 4/3/59, from informant by the writer and is located as shown above.

## ACTION:

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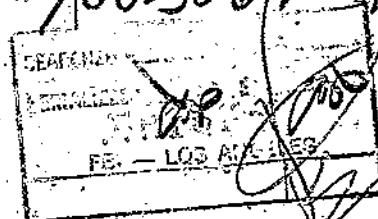
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 4/16/59

FROM : SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
(ACLU)  
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| [redacted] | ACLU Social<br>4/4/59 | 4/8/59 | Writer | [redacted] |
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The text of the informant's statement is as follows: (C)

"4/4/59 (C)

"A social was held by the people who are forming the ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union) in Orange County at the home of MANUEL SANTANA at 1204 Holly, Anaheim, Calif. on Sat. eve. on April 4, 1959. Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. SANTANA, [redacted]

and her husband, [redacted] TED and RUTH KNOWLTON, THELMA LEDBETTER, Mr. and Mrs. HENRY WOODS, TED HOOKER, [redacted] RURT and HELEN DUGDALE ETTEN and JOE [redacted]

cc: [redacted]

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100-46678 (M. SANTANA)  
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[redacted] A chemistry professor from Santa Ana College and some people from Laguna Beach. Several people were new to the group. Only social activities took place. AL APEL said that the money raised would not go to help victims of the UnAmerican Activities Committee, enstead it would be used to build up the treasure of the local chapter. (C)

"The DUGDALES sang and played and a man called [redacted] from [redacted] sang. (C)

"The name of the chemistry professor and the people from Laguna Beach are not known by me. [redacted] [redacted] is a former member of the ACLU in Los Angeles." (C)

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information.

The following names are being indexed to this memo: (C)

[ Mr. and Mrs. HENRY WOODS. 7  
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All other necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55822)

DATE: 4/16/59

FROM : SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: [ORANGE COUNTY SECTION] (C)  
COMMUNIST PARTY, UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA  
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DATE 8/18/78 JSP/LS

The text of the informant's statement is as follows: (C)

"3/26/59 (C)

"On March 25, 1959, Wed. a meeting of the Orange County Communist Club was held at the home of [redacted] Calif. Those attending were: [redacted]

[redacted] chaired the meeting and the first on the agenda was the P.W. [redacted] reported that he had turned in another \$25.00 and that the club had now turned in 1/3 of its quota. The club then discussed possible ways of getting more subscriptions and [redacted] said that he was going

cc: [redacted]

[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)

100-24843 (B. FRENCH) (SI)  
100-22415 (G. BRADY) (SI)

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97-16 (PEOPLES WORLD)  
100-3269 (ACLU)  
100-23365 (R. HOOKS) (SI)

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"to pick some from the ACLU list and mail sample copies to some of them. (C)

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[ ] announced that [ ] was going to have to give up being the [ ] for the club and asked that someone else take over. [ ] stated that he would do it for about 6 months and suggested that [ ] could act as [ ] after that. She stated that she would do so. (C)

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[ ] reported that RUTH HOOKS may be able to begin attending some meeting after May. She further advised that BEA FRENCH had been contacted thru her answering service, but had not returned any calls. [ ] further stated that BEA had said she did not want to be dropped, but had sent no dues in for 9 months. GRACE BRADY did not attend the meeting and had not called anyone. (C)

"The next meeting will be held on April 6 at [ ] home. (C)

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-32761) DATE: 4/14/59

FROM : SA [redacted] b6 b7C

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU) IS-C  
CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 DRT/ctf  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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| [redacted] and who have furnished reliable information in the past, and whose identities should be concealed. | 4/4/59   | 4/10/59  | Writer | [redacted] |

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The text of the informant's statement is as follows: ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

"Santa Ana, Calif.  
April 9, 1959 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

"On Saturday, April 4, there was a party gathering of members & friends of the A.C.L.U. chapter of Orange County, at the home of ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

cc: [redacted] b7D

100-29455 (A. APPEL) (SI)  
100-33697 [redacted] (SI)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-5282 [redacted] (SI)  
100-56531 [redacted] (SI)  
100-56832 [redacted] (SI)  
100-7181 (B. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-56576 (T. LEDBETTER) (SI)  
100-57372 (J. HERBERT)  
100-52969 (Mrs. J. HERBERT)  
100-56570 (T. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56569 (R. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56996 [redacted]  
100-55822 (CP, ORANGE COUNTY SECTION)  
100-17375 (SWP)  
100-55887 (COMINFIL)

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MANUEL SANTANA, 1209 Holly Drive, Anaheim.

"Those present & recognized were:

"TED HOOKER

[REDACTED]

BERT DUGDALE

AL APPEL

THELMA LEDBETTER

[REDACTED]

Mrs. JOE HEBERT

TED KNOWLTON

RUTH KNOWLTON

[REDACTED]

ALICE SANTANA

HELEN DUGDALE

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

BILL WOODS

JOE HEBERT

[REDACTED]

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"Nothing of importance occurred. The meeting was a social one."

Informants were thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

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The following names are being indexed to this memo.

[REDACTED], BILL WOODS, [REDACTED]

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016)

DATE: 4/23/59

FROM : SA ROBERT H. CLAUDIUS

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE  
AMERICAN FREEDOMS (CCPAF)  
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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 URT/HK  
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The report of the above informant, a carbon copy of a report of one of the operators of [redacted] known to this office as [redacted] is substantially as follow. This informant is not personally contacted by agent personnel; therefore, problems of identity must be resolved through [redacted] (c) b7D

On 4/6/59, an Executive Board meeting, CCPAF, was held at 617 North Larchmont Avenue, Los Angeles. The following persons were reported in attendance: (c) b7D

cc: [redacted]

100-33336 (L. SPERBER) (SI)  
100-43681 (D. MARSHALL) (SI)  
100-46399 (J. HALL)  
100-24656 (S. GOLDMAN) (SI)  
100-53657 (W. WELCH)  
100-20130 (E. GOODLAW) (SI)  
100-29670 (R. BISHOP) (SI)  
100-16439 (F. WILKINSON) (SI)  
100-25133 (E. WAGNER) (SI)  
100-20432 (F. WHITLEY) (SI)  
100-56533 (E. ENFIAJIAN) (SI)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

[100-54645 (POWELL-SCHUMAN DEFENSE COMMITTEE)] (c)

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LARRY SPERBER  
DOROTHY MARSHALL  
JERRY HALL  
SHIFFRA GOLDMAN  
BILL WELSH  
EDWARD GOODLAW  
RUTH BISHOP  
FRANK WILKINSON  
ELEANOR WAGNER (aka: ELEANOR RAYMOND)  
FRANK WHITLEY  
EDWARD ENFIAJIAN.

Activities planned by the Committee include a dance, a mass meeting in conjunction with the American Civil Liberties Union, and leaflets to offset investigation of teachers by the House Committee on Un-American Activities. (C)

The mass meeting would be staged by the American Civil Liberties Union when a favorable decision is rendered by the Supreme Court in the " " Case. Congressman JAMES ROOSEVELT has consented to be a speaker when the decision is rendered. FRANK WILKINSON asked for authority to bind the Citizens Committee in support of the meeting. He stated that this was necessary to get ACLU to act. Although Mr. SPERBER had objected to commitment before a decision was rendered by the court, the authority was granted. SPERBER's object was that the decision may be favorable from the standpoint of ACLU but not satisfactory to the Citizens Committee. (C)

Support of an ACLU legislative lobby was given wholehearted approval. FRANK WILKINSON and DOROTHY MARSHALL were selected to go to Sacramento, expenses paid by the Citizens Committee, to gain influence and support for legislation which would eliminate loyalty oaths. ACLU has scheduled an airplane to make the trip. Others would go by automobile to join the lobby. (C)

A campaign to offset the teacher investigation is proceeding at a slow pace. Leaflet copy is being prepared, but printing will wait so that if favorable matter is included in the " " decision it can be included in the leaflet. It is expected that teachers will actively support the campaign once subpoena are issued. Now they are scared. FRANK WILKINSON reported that he knows of ten who were visited by F.B.I. agents. (C)

WILKINSON reported on his trip to Fresno for the Council of Democratic Clubs' meeting. He was sent by the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms to be an observer, but reported that he also went as a delegate from his democratic club, and with the vote of his club chairman. He stated he served on the Civil Liberties Committee and drafted the civil liberties resolution which was adopted by the Council. Other contact work was done, he reported, but was limited as he was in bed for two days with "flu". (C)

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BILL WELSH reported on efforts begun to collect funds for the POWELL-SCHUMAN case. He reported that a 9-week campaign had begun. Funds were collected through efforts of the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms using the name "POWELL-SCHUMAN FREEDOM of the PRESS COMMITTEE." WILKINSON admitted this was just a paper name which was "out of the head." Now the POWELL committee has funds and is on its own (to an extent) for the duration of the campaign which has seven weeks to last. The POWELL COMMITTEE has a post office box number for an address, but at FRANK WILKINSON's request the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms will provide office space and equipment. WILKINSON has helped by providing names of contacts for donations. (C)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55822) DATE: 4/20/59

FROM: SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: ORANGE COUNTY SECTION  
SCDCP, USA  
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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 URT/KH  
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Orange County CP  
club meet 4/13/59

4/15/59

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DATE 8/18/78 JRP/rsj

The informants' report is as follows: (C)

"Anaheim, California (C)  
4/15/59

"On 4/13/59 a meeting of the Orange County Club of  
the Communist Party was held at the [redacted] in  
[redacted] California. (C)

"Those in attendance were: (C)

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ccs: [redacted]

1 - NEW YORK (REGISTERED)  
(JAMES JACKSON)

100-18552 (D. TRAINER) (SI)  
97-162267 (PW)  
100-3276 (ACLU)

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100-40659 (J. JACKSON)  
100-30582 (A. RICHMOND)

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"The meeting was chaired by [redacted] (C)

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[redacted] announced that the club has 3 renewals to the PW. [redacted]

[redacted] In addition [redacted] is a new subscriber to the PW. [redacted] announced that including the renewals & the new subscription the club now has \$82.00. [redacted] advised he had been informed the club was credited with more than \$82.00 a subscription and requested that [redacted] attempt to determine the total amt. credited to the club. (C)

[redacted] then suggested that if the membership had any recommendations on anyone who was interested in subscribing to the PW he would be glad to approach the individual. (C)

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"It was also suggested that a fund raising affair be organized for the PW. The membership agreed to have a party at which either JIM JACKSON or AL RICHMOND of the PW would be the guest speaker. (C)

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[redacted] announced the ACLU was scheduled to have a meeting on 'Fall Out' 4/16/59 to be held at the home of [redacted] [redacted] urged the membership to attend the meeting. (C)

[redacted] then collected CP dues from [redacted]

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[redacted] then collected assessment for the PW from the following: (C)

\$8.00  
\$2.00  
\$6.00  
\$4.00

"DENA TRAINER contributed through [redacted] \$10.00. (C)

"The next meeting scheduled to be held in two weeks at home of [redacted] (C)

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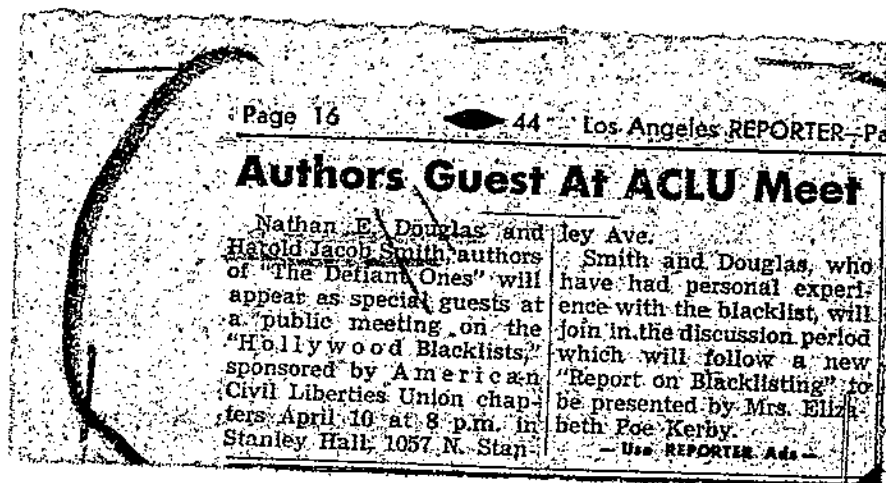
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Informants were thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 4/29/59

FROM : SA H.L. PELLEGATTA

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
INFO CONCERNING

On 4/27/59  River-  
side, California, advised he had learned from a   
 Riverside, that the following persons  
are the officers of the Arrowhead Chapter of the ACLU:

TED LEWIN, president, 7032 Newbury, San Bernardino  
HENRY SMITH, v-p,  
SARA SMITH, secretary, 927 Iowa, Colton

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In addition, Reverend MANKER, pastor of the Unitarian  
Church in Riverside, handles the Riverside activities.

at Ramona High School, Riverside,  
according to  was a member and dropped.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

FROM : SA ROMNEY STEWART

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
IS-C

DATE: 5/4/59

On 4/27/59 [ ] furnished SA ROMNEY STEWART with a letter from the ACLU of Southern California, signed by JACK ROSE, Membership Chairman, Southwest Los Angeles ACLU Chapter, dated 4/13/59. b7D

This mimeographed letter was addressed "Dear South-West Chapter Member" and urges the members to furnish names of people who might be prospective members during the annual membership drive.

The original is located in [ ]

On the same date, informant furnished a letter from the ACLU of Southern California dated 4/22/59, signed by EASON MONROE, which advises members that the ACLU has no "angels", but stating that they can assist as an "angel" by attending the production "Be An Angel" at the Players Ring Civic Playhouse, 755 North La Cienega, on 5/19 and 21 at \$2.25 per seat. b7D

This letter is located in [ ]

## ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

All other necessary action in connection with the above has been taken by the writer.

ccs: [ ] b7D  
100-22501 (J. ROSE)  
100-42713 (E. MONROE)

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 5/4/59

FROM : SA ROMNEY STEWART

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
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On 4/20/59 [ ] furnished to SA ROMNEY STEWART a copy of "Civil Liberties", the monthly publication of the ACLU for April 1959.

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This document is located in [ ]

On the same date, informant furnished a copy of "The Open Forum", a newspaper published by the ACLU of Southern California, April 1959 issue.

This document is located in [ ]

## ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

All other necessary action in connection with the above has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016) DATE: 4/17/59

FROM: SA JOHN S. TEMPLE

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO  
PRESERVE AMERICAN  
FREEDOMS (CCPAF)  
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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 DLT/ltt  
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On 4/10/59 [redacted] furnished the agenda for  
a CCPAF Executive Board meeting for Monday, 4/6/59, which  
took place at 617 North Larchmont, Los Angeles, California.  
The agenda for the meeting can be located in [redacted]

The approved and final minutes of the 4/6/59 CCPAF  
Executive Board meeting is set forth as follows:

cc: 1 - New York (EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES  
COMMITTEE, 100-107419) - REGISTERED

[redacted]  
100-43681 (D. MARSHALL)  
100-56498 (D. BAETCKE)  
100-33426 (M. CHESTER)  
100-33480 (S. PECK)  
100-20130 (E. GOODLAW)  
100-39376 (M. HALL)  
100-43610 (R. DECKER)  
100-33336 (L. SPERBER)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
62-1664 (HCUA)  
100-31532 (G. PHILLIPS)  
100-34470 (L. PAULING)  
100-4876 (A. WIRIN)  
100-57566 (A. TAUB)  
100-54645 (POWELL-SCHUMAN  
DEFENSE FUND)

100-46399 (J. HALL)  
100-28910 (R. BISHOP)  
100-20432 (F. WHITLEY)  
100-53657 (B. WELCH)  
100-27750 (H. STEINGART)  
100-25133 (E. WAGNER)  
100-24656 (S. GOLDMAN)  
100-7378 (W. ELCONIN)  
100-56533 (E. EINFIAJIAN)  
100-49783 (ECLC)

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"MINUTES

"CCPAF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
Monday, April 6, 1959 - 7:30 PM - Office

"CHAIRMAN - DOROTHY MARSHALL.

- "1) Roster of attendance attached.
- "2) Minutes of the Executive Board meeting of March 2 were read by DRU BAETCKE, Executive Board Secretary, and approved.

"3) FINANCIAL REPORT - Secretary:

"A Bank balance (approx) \$1250.00

"Due to contributions from Subpoenees of February '59, who also raised funds for their own legal expenses, CCPAF is more solvent than the monthly sustainers would indicate. Among new sustainers of CCPAF are 4 of the February '59 Subpoenees. (C)

"B The Secretary reported the results of the Executive Board sustainer drive to date: A sustainer increase of \$27 per month has been achieved during March, due to the efforts of the following members of the Executive Board: MONA CHESTER, SAM PECK, ED GOODLAW, and MARTIN HALL. This makes CCPAF's total sustainers \$558 per month, compared to CCPAF's \$675 monthly overhead. Letters have been mailed to sustainer members who are in arrears, urging payment. (C)

"C The suggestion for CCPAF promotional literature, as recommended previously, will be carried out by RUTH DECKER. (C)

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"4) ECLC'S REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE -  
DOROTHY MARSHALL: (C)

"The Chairman reported that CCPAF had received a formal written request from ECLC for a financial contribution of \$500. The Secretary voiced criticism of ECLC's weekly mimeographed legislative bulletin, now being received from Washington. He felt that if the quality of this bulletin could be improved, it would be possible to raise funds through many \$2 subscriptions. (C)

"CCPAF is now receiving information on the Washington legislative situation from the Congressional Record and Quarterly. The Chairman suggested that the Executive Board evaluate the question of making a token contribution to the ECLC national organization. (C)

"After a thorough discussion, the following action was taken: (C)

"M/S/C that CCPAF should send ECLC \$50 for 25 subscriptions to ECLC's legislative bulletin, at \$2 each. (C)

"5) M/S/C that the Secretary be authorized to send \$50 for the quarterly subscription to the Congressional Quarterly. (C)

"6) CONTINUING ATTACKS UPON THE SUPREME COURT -  
LARRY SPERBER (C)

"The Lawyers Guild feel that the present attacks on the Supreme Court have become increasingly serious. Mr. SPERBER proposed a CCPAF-sponsored dinner meeting on May 23 to honor the Lawyers Guild and defend the Supreme Court's recent decisions. (C)

"JOHN COE, President of the National Guild, will be in Los Angeles to participate. (C)

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"M/S/C that CCPAF sponsor a banquet on May 23  
a) to honor the Lawyers Guild victory;  
b) defend the recent Supreme Court decisions;  
and c) honor the memory of Justice CARTER. (C)

"It was also voted that the cost of tickets, type of mailing, and other details, be left to the Secretary, and a Committee to be appointed by the Chairman to make such arrangements. (C)

"7) SECRETARY'S REPORT: (C)

"A The Secretary attended the CDC convention at Fresno on March 13, 14, and 15, as a delegate from his Democratic Club. He presented a comprehensive resume of events which took place. A Resolution in support of Roosevelt Resolution H Res 53 was voted 5 to 1 by the 1300 delegates in attendance. (C) &

"B The Secretary recommended that CCPAF Executive Board members support the ACLU in a Sacramento lobby on AB 1766 and other civil liberties bills, during the first week in May when hearings on the bills will be held. (C)

"M/S/C that the Executive Board authorize the Chairman and Secretary to go to Sacramento with the ACLU chartered plane. (C)

"C Mayfair Hotel Meeting: The CCPAF sponsored a community organization committee meeting on March 19 to discuss the attacks against the Supreme Court. The Committee recommended a CCPAF Legislative Conference in early May. After further consideration, the Secretary recommended that CCPAF prepare an analysis of the pending anti-Supreme Court bills, to be used for an action mailing; and that this be followed up by letter-writing conferences in individual organizations. (C)

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"M/S/C that the Secretary's recommendation be approved. (C)

"D The Secretary fulfilled speaking engagements before the following: ACLU Pasadena meeting; SJO Conference; Unitarian Church Youth Group; Friends Committee on Legislation legislative conference; 2 meetings of ACLU's Legislative Committee. (C)

"8) From reports received, it is estimated that approximately 75 people, including 12 school teachers, have been visited by the FBI. It is reasonable to assume that many of these people will be subpoenaed by the HCUA in its announced June hearings. (C)

"The Secretary is drawing the teachers involved together to plan actions to prevent the hearings from taking place. It is hoped that they will write and finance a special piece of literature, and sponsor a small meeting with [redacted] (C)

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"9) It was recommended that the FBI visit vis-a-vis the HCUA be brought to the attention of a committee of lawyers and the facts published. (C)

"10) The Chairman and Secretary requested authorization to write a letter to Congress criticizing the HCUA Los Angeles attack on April 3 and 4, reporting on the CDC and Los Angeles County Democratic Central Committee actions, etc. (C)

"11) It is recommended that a TV committee be appointed by the Chairman to seek ways and means of carrying CCPAF's Abolition Campaign program to wider audiences. (C)

"12) The Secretary reported that the ACLU is prepared for a post-BARENBLATT meeting scheduled to be held within 2 weeks of the Supreme Court decision, at the Beverly-Olympic Center. Congressman ROOSEVELT has accepted ACLU's invitation to speak. (C)

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"The Secretary recommended that CCPAF support this ACLU project if the BARENBLATT decision proves to be against the HCUA. General discussion followed. The Executive Board felt that CCPAF could make no commitment to ACLU until the exact nature of the BARENBLATT decision was known. It was generally agreed that until such time as a favorable Supreme Court decision in the BARENBLATT case is handed down, the Secretary should proffer only tentative support to this ACLU meeting. (C)

"13) POWELL-SCHUMAN REPORT: (C)

"The Executive Board was introduced to BILL WELCH who has been engaged as field-man in a 9 week fund-raising campaign now taking place. (C)

"The Secretary reported that the POWELL-SCHUMAN Committee has been using CCPAF as a headquarters, on a temporary basis, pending Executive Board approval of this arrangement. The Secretary recommended that CCPAF invite the POWELL-SCHUMAN Committee to continue to share the office for 7 more weeks, or so long as it continues to be mutually convenient. (C)

"M/S/C that the Secretary's recommendation be approved. (C)

"Mr. WELCH reported that a reception sponsored by the POWELL-SCHUMAN Committee on March 22, at the home of GIFFORD PHILLIPS, was successful financially. LINUS PAULING and attorney A. L. WIRIN were speakers, and approximately \$1000 was contributed. A followup of letters, phone calls, and personal contacts is now being made. (C)

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"The Secretary announced that the PHILLIPS reception was undertaken as part of his 'extra curricular' activities for CCPAF. (C)

"A meeting on May 10 at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. ARTHUR TAUB is now being arranged at which Mr. PAULING and Mr. WIRIN will again speak. (C)

"Meeting adjourned at 10 PM. (C)

"Next meeting May 4." (C)

The informant advised that according to the roster of attendance which is maintained at each Executive Board meeting, the following were in attendance: (C)

DOROTHY MARSHALL  
RUTH BISHOP  
FRANK WHITLEY  
BILL WELCH  
HARRY STEINGART  
ELEANOR WAGNER  
JERRY HALL  
LARRY SPERBER  
SHIFRA GOLDMAN  
WILLIAM ELCONIN  
ED GOODLAW  
ED ENFIAJIAN

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-15732) DATE: 4/24/59  
FROM: SA CLAUDE E. WILLIS, JR.  
SUBJECT: COMPIC  
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| [redacted]<br>who has fur-<br>nished reliable<br>information in<br>the past and<br>whose identity<br>should be<br>concealed. | Meeting<br>concerning<br>blacklisted<br>writers<br>featuring EASON<br>MONROE as<br>chairman,<br>4/10/59 | 4/13/59  | writer | [redacted] |

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Informant furnished the following report:

"Date: April 10, 1959  
Place: Stanley Hall, 1057 N. Stanley  
Time: 8:30 PM - 10 P.M.  
Attendance: 300, among those present were:

"MARTIN HALL  
Mrs. MARTIN HALL  
[redacted]  
EASON MONROE  
NEDRICK YOUNG (NATHAN E. DOUGLAS)  
HAROLD JACOB SMITH

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cc: 1 - San Francisco (NEDRICK YOUNG, aka. Nathan -REGISTERED  
E. Douglas)

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100-39376 (M. HALL)  
100-24620 [redacted]  
100-42713 (F. MONROE)  
100-33428 (N. YOUNG)  
100-21701 (H. SMITH)  
100-54424 (E. KERRY)  
100-56624 [redacted]  
100-6722 (D. TRUMBO)  
100-24301 (M. WILSON)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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"ELIZABETH HUXLEY KERBY  
Mrs. W. H. SHELDON

"Feature: 'Blacklisted Writers'

"Chairman: EASON MONROE

"Speakers: ELIZABETH HUXLEY KERBY, NEDRICK  
YOUNG, HAROLD JACOB SMITH

"Mr. EASON MONROE introduced the speakers. He also remarked about the unfairness of blacklisting people in the theatrical world, and the trouble and harm it did to them without accomplishing anything. 'They only changed their names and worked for less money'. 'This is a country of Free Speech'.

"Mrs. ELIZABETH HUXLEY KERBY, spoke along the same trend. She said 'she did all the research work in 'The Defiant Ones' book.'

"She also said, 'ERIC JOHNSON came to Hollywood and said that he wanted no more plays or pictures like 'Tobacco Road', 'Grapes of Wrath' etc. and that he wanted moving pictures to be cleaned up.

"NED YOUNG and HAROLD SMITH were introduced. They are the co-authors of the book and screen play under the names of NATHAN E. DOUGLAS and HAROLD J. SMITH, 'The Defiant Ones' which won the Oscar.

"NED YOUNG spoke about the struggle he had until he changed his name to NATHAN E. DOUGLAS, then he was accepted.

"HAROLD JACOB SMITH remarked about the blacklisted writers, producers & actors and actresses, who had to change their names and work for less money in order to make a living under another name.

"He referred to screen writers who won Oscars under a different name and had to live under that name. Some of these were, 'ROBERT RICH' (DALTON TRUMBO), who has never claimed the award for 'The Brave One'. MICHAEL WILSON who won an award for 'Friendly Persuasion'. MICHAEL WILSON (CARL FOREMAN), 'The Bridge On The River Kwai' and others.

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"It was not until 'The Defiant Ones' won an Oscar that it was revealed that NATHAN C. DOUGLAS was NEDRICK YOUNG. They accepted him and he had several offers from the studios. A new story they are writing has been bought by SAM KRAMER without his knowing the theme of the story. The title will possibly be the 'Wild Wind' but it will be of a progressive nature. Quoting from HAROLD JACOB SMITH.

"The audience laughed at his remark. He also said 'Are we progressive or not?' He said, 'The general public does not care, whether we were blacklisted or not. The ban will soon be lifted on all.'

"EASON MONROE asked everyone present to send a telegram or write a letter to their Senators immediately, so it would be in Washington, D.C. by Monday, April 13, 59, asking them to defeat the Seven Bills (Eastland) coming up now and especially to prevent the House Un-American Committee from coming here in June and to ask them not to interfere with the Supreme Court decisions."

ACTION: Informant did not learn the identity of the sponsor of this affair.

However, the 4/1/59 issue of Los Angeles "Reporter" page 9, contained the following:

"An updated 'Report on Blacklisting' in the motion picture industry will be presented April 10 by Mrs. Elizabeth Poe Kerby at a public meeting in Stanley Hall, 1057 N. Stanley Ave., sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union chapters".

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55448) DATE: 4/28/59

FROM : SA SAM J. SHOEMAKER

SUBJECT: [HIGHLAND PARK CLUB, (c)  
ZAPATA SECTION,  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,  
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP), USA  
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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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DATE 8/18/78 JJP/lrs

Informant's report read as follows: (c)

"Los Angeles, April 15, 1959 (c)

"Communist Party Meeting of Highland Park group (Zapata Section -  
Wednesday, April 8, 1959 - 8:30 PM - Held [redacted]  
[redacted] Los Angeles, California. (c)

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"Present were: (c)

[redacted] of Zapata  
Section

cc: [redacted]

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100-41463 (D. ARKIN) (SI)  
100-43626 (B. SPINDELL) (SI)  
100-27115 [redacted]  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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"This meeting was an attempt to concretize a club in the Highland Park area. However, there is difficulty in getting people together. DAVE ARKIN was supposed to have attended; BLANCHE SPINDELL had tickets for a school play. However, [REDACTED] assumed responsibility of [REDACTED] from members in Highland Park, and [REDACTED] said he would accept responsibility for [REDACTED]. This is as far as we got. The group as constituted is too small to function as a club, and if it is not possible to get other people in area to attend meetings, it will be necessary for the present members to go back into their previous clubs." (C)

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[REDACTED] told us of an interesting incident in working in the Citizens Committee for Fair Elections, which at one point necessitated her going to the FBI and discussing with them a U. S. Code with regard to elections. She received good help; left some of the affidavits she had to be photostated by the FBI, who in turn mailed them back to her. (C)

[REDACTED] also stated that she was sent out on a job, which required that she sign a loyalty oath and non-Communist affidavit. She refused to do this, and as a result is being penalized five weeks unemployment compensation. She is appealing the case through the American Civil Liberties Union. She is trying to make a test case. (C)

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"Members will try to contact other people in area and get them to attend next meeting, which is now set for April 22, same place." (C)

On the same date informant made available a mimeographed announcement of a social event to be held 4/18/59 at 213 South Coronado, Los Angeles, which informant received at the LASC Rummage Sale in Santa Monica, California, on 4/4/59. This exhibit also indicated that HYMAN RASKIN and his wife are moving to Elsinore, California [REDACTED]. (C)

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375)  
FROM : SA [REDACTED]  
SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKER PARTY (SWP)  
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DATE: 5/1/59

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| [REDACTED] | 4/25/59 | 4/27/59 | Writer | [REDACTED] |
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SLIP(S) OF Classification  
DATE 2/18/78 SJR/lrs

The text of the informants' statement is as follows: (C)

"April 27, 1959  
Santa Ana, Calif. (C)

"On Saturday night, April 25, 1959, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] visited with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Calif. (C)

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"During the evening conversation [REDACTED] mentioned that  
he works for [REDACTED] as a [REDACTED] in  
the Los Angeles Office. (C)

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"The evening was mostly social. There was a discussion  
of some Orange County left-wing activities. [REDACTED] asked what had  
happened to the Orange County 'National Guardian' Discussion Forum.  
The [REDACTED] said it just had not been active and that they would  
like to see it become active again. [REDACTED] agreed. (C)

cc: [REDACTED]

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100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-46679 [REDACTED]  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-56432 (OCNGDF)

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"spoke about the last part of an ACLU party held early in April, 1959, at which he had been present. He said that TED HOOKER got quite intoxicated and went around telling everybody they probably thought he was a member of the SWP. When he asked ALICE SANTANA if she thought so, she replied 'No, I think you're a member of the FBI'. This infuriated HOOKER and sort of broke up the party. [ ] characterized HOOKER as one who always managed to antagonize people and who breaks up meetings and flits from one organization to another." (C) L

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ACTION:

Informants were thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55448)  
FROM : SA LEON J. MEYER  
SUBJECT: [ZAPATA SECTION] *LS*  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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DATE: 5/5/59

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Writer [redacted]

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DATE *8/13/78 JDB/rss*

On 4/20/59, informant furnished a typewritten signed re-  
port set forth as follows: *(C)*

"April 13, 1959

8 P.M.

327. Laveta Terr.

Zapata Section Board Meeting

Southern California District Communist Party

"It was decided at this meeting that the Section start  
up Section Educational Classes. *(C)*

cc: [redacted]

100-56591 (S. MONROY) (SI)

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100-51729 (DOWNTOWN CLUB)

97-16 (PW)

100-3267 (ACLU)

100-23901 (EDUCATION)

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"There was no District report as SOL MONROY wasn't there to give it. (C)

"A brunch to be held in the Downtown Club on Sun. the 24th for the Fund Drive of the PW. There has only been turned in around \$400.00 in the Section against a \$1,000.00 quota. District raised to \$1,300.00. (C)

"Next Section meeting to be held at [redacted] house, also a Mexican-Caucus conference on the 30th. (C) b7D

[redacted] gave a [redacted] on her [redacted] b7D  
She was sent by the unemployment office to [redacted] passed the tests, but would not sign the loyalty oath, this was put on the report and sent back to the unemployment office, they penalized her 5 weeks, they then tried to send her to the Internal Revenue Office? she said, and she said that it was no use as the same thing would happen, another 5 weeks. So she has taken her case to the ACLU and they are going to fight it on the grounds that she has paid for this unemployment, and, therefore, she is entitled to it. The relief Office refused her help on the same grounds. The board commended her on her stand. (There is criticism that she did not do this intentionally and was foolish, she should have failed the test, therefore, she isn't to be commended.) However, the officers of the Party commended her. (C)

"Joe Hill Club problems were brought up: The members have refused to meet in the Downtown Club. This leaves only [redacted] house. No help was suggested. (C) b7D

[redacted] and [redacted] attended." (C)

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information. b6 b7C b7D

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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| Complainant<br>[Redacted]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                            | Complainant's address and telephone number<br><i>NEW HOTEL CLARK</i>    |                                   | Complaint received<br><input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic<br>Date <i>5/11/59</i> Time <i>3:50 PM</i> |            |
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| Facts of complaint<br><br><i>Comp. advised that Sub. will have luncheon at the hotel 5-13-59 at noon in the Calif. Room. [Redacted] [Redacted] will be the speaker. There is a reservation for him at the hotel. He is expected to arrive 10 AM 5/13/59.</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                            |                                                                         |                                   |                                                                                                                                                   |            |
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55822) DATE: 5/5/59

FROM : SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: [ORANGE COUNTY SECTION  
CP, USA  
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12-29-81  
CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 DRT/KH  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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| [redacted] and<br>who have<br>furnished<br>reliable<br>information<br>in the past,<br>and whose<br>identities<br>must be<br>concealed. | Orange County<br>CP Club<br>meet, 4/28/59 | 5/1/59 | Writer | [redacted] |
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DATE 8/15/78 SSO/RS

The text of the informant's statement is as follows: (C)

"May 1, 1959  
Costa Mesa, California (C)

"On April 27, 1959 a meeting of the Orange County Club  
of the CP was held at the home of [redacted]  
California. Those in attendance were: (C)

cc: [redacted]

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100-52969 (A. HEBERT)  
100-57372 (J. HEBERT)  
100-54415 (M. ZAKER) (SI)  
100-54891 (F. ZAKAR) (SI)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-23933 (MEMBERSHIP)

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[redacted] acted as Chairman of the meeting. [redacted] gave a report on the District Council meeting held April 17, 1959 at Los Angeles. Following her report a discussion was had by those present regarding ALENE and JOE HEBERT. One of the members present suggested that JOE and ALENE be considered for membership in the party. [redacted] advised he had discussed the possibility of their becoming CP members with both JOE and ALENE. He said both ALENE and JOE told him they were not in the least interested in becoming members of the CP and they felt that he had wasted his time in belonging to the CP. As a result the membership decided that neither JOE or ALENE would be asked to join. (C)

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[redacted] then advised that [redacted] had recently been over to see him. He said that he asked them if they would like to become active in attending functions of the ACLU. [redacted] said that [redacted] said he was not interested in the CP or anything progressive - that his first duty was toward his family. [redacted] commented that both [redacted] are lost causes. (C)

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[redacted] also commented on [redacted] and [redacted]. He said he had seen [redacted] at meeting held at [redacted] home called to discuss the dangers of the Atomic [redacted]. At the meeting [redacted] informed him that his boss at [redacted] in [redacted] told him that if his or his wife's name were in the newspapers again in connection with Atomic fallout he would be discharged. [redacted] commented that neither [redacted] are familiar with left wing activities. (C)

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[redacted] then asked [redacted] whether or not she would object to her name being used in connection with publicity on Atomic Fallout to be sponsored by anyone interested in this project. She said she did not mind. (C)

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[redacted] then suggested to the membership that the Orange County Club select a mail secretary for the Orange County Club to mail out leftist literature acquired from the District Council meetings to interested individuals in Orange County. He suggested that the mailing list be primarily composed of the new ACLU list, the old list of the Club containing those names known to be sympathetic to the party. [redacted] said the (C)

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combined lists would be approximately 200 names. He further suggested that the return mail from those who are mailed the literature would indicate to the Club the people in Orange County who are sympathetic to the CP. He suggested that the Club mail the literature under a fictitious name which one of the members will acquire at a Post Office Box in Orange County. He said from time to time questionnaires will be forwarded to the individuals on the mailing list in an attempt to determine their reaction to the literature. The membership agreed to the suggestions unanimously and [redacted] was selected as the [redacted] She accepted." (c)

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ACTION:

Informants were thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

All action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer. The names of [redacted] and BILL WOODS are being indexed to this memo. (c)

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-17375) . DATE: 5/6/59  
FROM : SA [REDACTED] b6  
SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES LOCAL - SOCIALIST b7C  
WORKERS PARTY (LAL-SWP)  
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| SOURCE     | ACTIVITY                            | RECEIVED | AGENT  | LOCATION   |
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| [REDACTED] | LAL-SWP City Conference,<br>4/19/59 | 4/23/59  | Writer | [REDACTED] |

who have furnished reliable information in the past and whose identities should be concealed.

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On 4/23/59 informants furnished the writer with a handwritten report which pertained to a LAL-SWP City Conference. This report read as follows:

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| 100-3267  | (ACLU)              | 100-36312 | (D. COOPER)   |
| 100-4486  | (DOROTHY HEALEY)    | 100-54859 | (O. COOVER)   |
| 100-23423 | (POLITICAL, CP)     | 100-55424 | [REDACTED]    |
| 100-14873 | (COMINFIL UAW)      | 100-55521 | (G. CRAWFORD) |
| 100-56733 | (G. DAVIS)          | 100-24141 | (L. CURTISS)  |
| 100-56607 | (D. PATTERSON)      | 100-30966 | (S. FORESTER) |
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| 100-56633 | (D. STARK)          |           |               |
| 100-5282  | [REDACTED]          |           |               |
| 100-56531 | [REDACTED]          |           |               |
| 100-29455 | (A. APPEL)          |           |               |
| 100-34520 | (E. BANKS)          |           |               |
| 100-44831 | [REDACTED]          |           |               |
| 100-24035 | (E. BROADY)         |           |               |
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100-17284 (J. HOUDEK)  
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100-49365 (A. SWABECK)  
100-48704 (H. SWABECK)  
100-54961 (A. THOMAS)  
100-30670 (E. THORNTON)  
100-31056 (J. THORNTON)

"April 23, 1959  
Santa Ana, Calif.

"On Sunday April 19, 1959, the annual Social Workers Party City Conference was held at SWP hall, 1702 E. 4th St., Los Angeles, Calif.

"Those people present and recognized were:

DON PARROTT  
OTTO BROADY  
HARRY SAWYER  
MITT SNIPPER  
MAE STARK  
AARON STROWISS  
CHARLES KELLY  
JULIA HOUDEK  
RICHARD BOERNER  
CHARLENE COX  
ANN SNIPPER

LOU CICCONE  
JACK SHEPHERD  
ED GUERSKE  
ALMA THOMAS  
SAM STARK  
SALLY FORESTER  
CLIFF HOUDEK  
AL APPEL  
ERROL BANKS  
JAY BLACKBURN  
HANK SNIPPER

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STEVE ROBERTS  
PETER BUCH  
EDMOND KOVACS  
DEAN PATTERSON  
ARNE SWABECK  
JOE ROSS  
THELMA GENECEIN  
EVELYN NOVACK  
ELLA JONES  
YETTA ROSEN  
GRACE GLASS  
BOBBIE DURALL  
ELEANOR BROADY  
JACK KRUMHOLZ  
JOE STERMER  
ELAINE JEWELL

DEMILA SANDERS  
GEORGIA CRAWFORD  
LIL CURTISS  
MARYANNE PATTERSON  
HILDE SWABECK  
MILT GENECEIN  
GEORGE NOVACK  
GEORGE JONES  
HOWARD ROSEN  
EMILY THORNTON  
BOB DURALL  
LEN HARRIS  
DAVE COOPER  
JOE KENT  
JANET GOLDSTEIN  
MIKE PAVALKO

"There werw about 55 - 60 persons present.  
CLIFF HOUDEK, JULIA HOUDEK and LIL CURTISS left before the  
balloting.

"During the lunch break, a young man about  
25 years old arrived. He was white, had reddish blond  
hair, wore glasses, had a slight build, and appeared to  
be friendly with PETER BUCH. He stayed for the rest of the  
conference. He was about 5' 8" tall.

"Another unidentified person was a man about in  
his fifties and who appears to be partially blind. He has dark  
hair, a thin build and sallow complexion and wears glasses.

"The meeting opened with a report by  
EDMOND KOVACS on the regroupment campaign. He mentioned  
various activities ranging from informal meetings to the  
Hallinan - Roberts campaign. He stated that the high point  
of the regroupment effort was the Hallinan - Cannon banquet  
which was attended by 185 people. He defended the regroup-  
ment policy as a correct policy for this period. He admitted  
that little in the way of concrete results had come from the  
effort. He said no recruitment had resulted from National  
Guardian work or any informal meetings. He stated the only  
concrete result from regroupment was through the original  
initiative of the steel fraction which resulted in the  
recruitment of the Leninist group, that is the CP defectees  
from Orange County.



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"It was the writers' impression that KOVACS' views on the regroupment effort were very cautious and he was careful not to put himself in a position on the question from which he could not retreat.

"On youth work KOVACS reported that the whole effort was a failure. He said that a year ago there were 14 youths in the party and today there are only 4. He attributed the loss to transfers and resignations. He emphasized the necessity of education in party activity in this connection.

"MITT SNIPPER acted as chairman of the foregoing report.

"STEVE ROBERTS spoke during the discussion period and was critical of the party's handling of the United Socialist Political Action Committee, specifically in that they failed to replace AL LEWIS when he became inactive in the committee.

"AL APPEL spoke and said that the Orange County National Guardian Readers Club is inactive at present but that regroupment effort is being made in the newly formed Orange County chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union. He said that the Communist Party and the SWP are cooperating in working within the ACLU in Orange County.

"During the next section of the report the chairman was GEORGE JONES.

"KOVACS then reported on trade union and minority work. He said that out of an active branch membership of 55, 60% were in trade unions of one kind or another. He remarked generally on the unemployment situation.

"During the discussion that followed ED GUERSKE spoke about activity in auto industry specifically Local 216, UAW. His remarks were general in nature and concerned the activity of the SWP fraction within the local.

"JACK SHEPHERD spoke about activity in steel and the United Steel Workers. He stated that when the 'policy of caution' was first initiated the SWP fraction was forced to

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relinquish formal leadership of the local which it had held until the policy of caution was initiated. He said that prior to the policy of caution there had been no right-wing leadership in the union and it took about a year and a half for such leadership to evolve. However in the next union election that leadership was toppled but due to the policy of caution left-wing leadership could not be maintained. There then evolved a middle of the road union leadership that has survived with support of the SWP fraction. SHEPHERD said about a year ago the steel local in Consolidated Steel asked the SWP fraction to join their caucus. SHEPHERD said he informed them that if they did this the result would be left-wing leadership. They then withdrew the offer and the SWP fraction, in line with the policy of caution, did not pursue the matter. He said however that the union leadership caucus had in the last year accepted SWP fraction advice and support. He noted that some union leaders had attended SWP lectures and forums. He said the leadership caucus had recently made a new offer or invitation to the SWP fraction to join the caucus. He did not say what course would be followed. All SHEPHERD's remarks were about the steel local in the Consolidated Steel Co. By inference SHEPHERD indicated that 'the policy of caution' was being partially abandoned at this time and might be completely abandoned in the future.

"By the 'policy of caution' is meant the SWP's tactical method of work in about the past ten years in not openly identifying their SWP connection in trade union work. It resulted from the CP Smith act prosecutions.

"LOU CICCONE spoke on activity in auto. His remarks also indicated a drift away from 'the policy of caution' and a desire for more overt SWP activity in trade unions.

"GUERSKE, SHEPHERD and CICCONE all indicated that future trade union activity would be concentrated in the was of unemployment.

"From the tone of the reports and the discussion it is the writers' opinion that sentiment is developing against regroupment and the policy of caution and that these may be revamped at the forthcoming SWP National Convention.

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"There was a break for lunch about 3:00 p.m. after the break it was announced that [ ] and [ ] had volunteered to do the clean up work in the kitchen.

"The next acting chairman was GRACE GLASS. KOVACS continued his organizer's report outlining some educational suggestions for the coming year. During a discussion period ELEANOR BROADY reported that DOROTHY HEALEY had called her to come over and that ELEANOR had gone to see her at her house. She said HEALEY inquired about what happened to CARL FEINGOLD. HEALEY also said there was still a lot of dissent in the Communist Party. ELEANOR said that HEALEY said that the CP was taking full credit for the success of ATKINSON's campaign for city council in recent Los Angeles elections. HEALEY asked why the SWP had not supported him.

"DON PARROTT spoke on 'Militant' subs and said they were increasing.

"STEVE ROBERTS inquired from the floor as to why the branch was not being divided. In this respect he was critical of EDMOND KOVACS, the branch organizer. KOVACS in reply said it had been discussed and it was decided it was not feasible at this time.

"KOVACS announced that a camp location has been definitely set for the dates of Sept 5 - 13, 1959, at Big Bear, Calif.

"Further nominations for the branch executive board were solicited. After the matter was discussed and some members declined nomination there were the following nominations to vote on:

STEVE ROBERTS  
MILT GENECEIN  
MITT SNIPPER  
DON PARROTT  
PETER BUCH  
EVELYN NOVACK  
GEORGIA CRAWFORD  
DEAN PATTERSON  
EROL BANKS

EDMOND KOVACS  
JACK SHEPHERD  
ANN SNIPPER  
MAE STARK  
ALMA THOMAS  
LEN HARRIS  
ELEANOR BROADY  
GEORGE JONES  
OSCAR COOVER

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"All except STEVE ROBERTS, GEORGIA CRAWFORD, and LEN HARRIS were elected to the branch Executive Board, which now consists of fifteen members.

"The highest number of votes received by any one candidate was the fifty votes cast for EDMOND KOVACS, the branch organizer. SHEPHERD got 48 votes and GENE CIN got 47, with others averaging in the low 40's.

"AL APPEL was among those who declined nomination to the board.

"A motion was made to approve the main line of the report and it carried with only one opposing vote, that of AL APPEL."

ACTION:

Informants were thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information.

Based on information furnished by other informants it is believed that the unidentified reddish haired man about 25 years old is [ ] (LNU) from the San Francisco Bay area, and accordingly, a copy of this memo is being sent to the San Francisco office.

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The other unidentified individual is [ ]

Concerning the name [ ] informants orally advised that they did not see him, but only heard his name announced. [ ] is another name for [ ] whom they did see and report present.

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On 4/27/59, the question of JACK KRUMHOLZ being at the city conference was again discussed with [ ] and [ ] Upon again viewing KRUMHOLZ's photograph they stated that it was their recollection that KRUMHOLZ was present at the conference.

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All other necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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## CIVIL LIB. UNION OK'S EDITORIALIZING ON AIR

New York, May 4. — The American Civil Liberties Union today reversed a 10-year-old policy by approving the principle of radio and telestation editorializing on public issues. Policy statement, adopted by ACLU's board of directors at the recommendation of the group's radio-tv committee, was revealed by exec director Patrick Murphy Malin.

In 1949, when the Federal Communications Commission reversed its 1940 ruling against editorializing, the ACLU opposed the decision, warning that the FCC's approval was "confusing and unworkable." It also cautioned against a station monopolizing opinion in one-station communities or where there is single ownership of both the only newspaper and radio-tv station.

Malin and committee chairman Thomas R. Carskadon noted that ACLU's new policy approved editorializing only if its is presented as part of the station's overall balanced programming, which includes the subject matter of the editorial.

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On April 20, 1959, [redacted] Columbus Avenue Branch, American Trust Company, 468 Columbus Avenue, San Francisco, who has requested his identity be concealed, made available to SA [redacted] the following information which is not to be made public except in a usual proceeding following the issuance of a subpoena. This source will not maintain in his possession the basic documents from which the following information regarding checks was obtained.

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| 4/4/59      | \$ 2.00       | CHARLES MATTOX,<br>Treasurer                    | PAULINE FRIEDLAND, 4520<br>McArthur Blvd., NW,<br>Washington 7, D. C.;<br>No. 201, National Bank<br>of Washington, Washington, D.C. |
| 3/27/59     | 5.00          | Friends of the<br>POWELLS and<br>JULIAN SCHUMAN | [redacted] the Amalgamated<br>Bank of New York, 11-15<br>Union Square, New York.                                                    |
| 4/6/59      | 10.00         | CHARLES MATTOX                                  | [redacted]<br>[redacted] Illinois;<br>Bank of Lincolnwood,<br>Lincolnwood, Illinois.                                                |
| 4/7/59      | 25.00         | Powell Defense<br>Committee                     | [redacted] Hong Kong and<br>Shanghai Bank, Inc. of San<br>Francisco, California.                                                    |
| 4/8/59      | 105.00        | "                                               | IDA PRUITT; Chase Manhattan<br>Bank, Broadway at 73rd St.,<br>New York, New York.                                                   |
| 4/7/59      | 25.00         | J. A. FRANKEL                                   | LENA S. LAKIN; Santa Monica<br>Office, California Bank,<br>1401 - 3rd Street, Santa<br>Monica, Calif. This check                    |

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| 4/6/59      | 10.00         | PSDF                              | [redacted]<br>[redacted] Los Angeles 7,<br>Calif., RI 9-5131; Broad-<br>way-Washington Branch,<br>Bank of America, 139 West<br>Washington Blvd., Los Angeles                                                                           |
| 4/6/59      | 5.00          | "                                 | [redacted],<br>[redacted] tele-<br>phone No. OL 2-0934,<br>Beverly Hills, Calif.;<br>Wilshire-LaCienega Office,<br>City National Bank of<br>Beverly Hills, 8420 Wil-<br>shire Blvd., Beverly Hills,<br>Calif., K-492-090.<br>b6<br>b7C |
| 4/1/59      | 10.00         | PSDC                              | HELEN MARSTON BEARDSLEY;<br>Eagle Rock Branch; Security-<br>First National Bank, 2175<br>Colorado Blvd., Los Angeles.                                                                                                                  |
| 4/3/59      | 5.00          | PSDF                              | [redacted]<br>[redacted], Los Angeles 24, BR-<br>ighton 0-3319; Beverly-<br>Wilshire Branch, Bank of<br>America, 9430 Wilshire Blvd.,<br>Beverly Hills, California.                                                                    |
| 2/17/59     | 5.00          | American Civil<br>Liberties Union | [redacted] LaCrescenta<br>Branch, Bank of America, 3209<br>Foothill Blvd., LaCrescenta,<br>Calif. This check was printed                                                                                                               |



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| 4/13/59     | 25.00         | Cash           | <div></div> <div></div> Los Angeles 46, Calif., OL 4-3378.                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 4/4/59      | 25.00         | PSDF b6<br>b7C | <div></div> <div></div> Union Bank and Trust Co. of Los Angeles, Los Angeles, Calif.                                                                                                                                                              |
| 4/13/59     | 25.00         | "              | BERTHA SOINIT; Sunset-Wetherly Branch, Bank of America, 9021 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood, Calif.                                                                                                                                                      |
| 4/9/59      | 25.00         | "              | <div></div> Westwood Village Branch, Security-First National Bank, 950 Westwood Blvd., Los Angeles                                                                                                                                                |
| 4/13/59     | 20.00         | WILLIAM WELCH  | WALTER BRIEHL, M.D., 161 South Doheny Drive, Beverly Hills, Calif.; Olympic and Beverly Drive Branch, Security-First National Bank, 9431 Olympic Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif. This check was endorsed pay to the order of PSDF per WILLIAM WELCH. |

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| 4/13/59     | 15.00         | Powell Schuman Fund                         | EASON MONROE by [redacted]<br>[redacted] Wilshire-Vermont Branch, Bank of America, 3191 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles. This check was marked American Civil Liberties Union, Southern California Branch, 2863 West 9th Street, Los Angeles 6, Special Funds Account, DU 5-6234. | b6<br>b7C |
| 4/9/59      | 15.00         | American Civil Liberties Union-Defense Fund | H. MICHAEL ROSOW, M.D., 450 North Bedford Drive, Beverly Hills, Calif., CR 5-6434; Beverly Hills National Bank and Trust Co., Beverly Hills, Calif., R-747351. This check was endorsed pay to the order of the PSDF, American Civil Liberties Union, VM.                      | b6<br>b7C |
| 4/8/59      | 10.00         | PSDF                                        | ROBERT R. PRESNELL, Jr.; Studio City Branch, Bank of America, 12175 Ventura Blvd., Studio City, Calif. This check was printed [redacted]<br>[redacted]<br>California                                                                                                          |           |
| 4/16/59     | 10.00         | "                                           | [redacted] Westwood Village Branch, Security-First National Bank, 950 Westwood Blvd., Los Angeles. This check was printed [redacted]<br>[redacted]<br>CR 4-2009, Los Angeles 24, California.                                                                                  |           |

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| 4/15/59     | 5.00          | PSDF                        | S. G. RIES Co., realtors,<br>Main Office, 510 South<br>Spring St., Los Angeles,<br>Branch Office 9001 Beverly<br>Blvd., Beverly Hills;<br>5th and Spring Office,<br>Security-First National<br>Bank, 502 South Spring St.,<br>Los Angeles.                      |
| 4/9/59      | 5.00          | "<br><br>b6<br>b7C          | SEYMOUR MANDEL, attorney-at-<br>law, Suite 258, Marlton<br>Bldg., 4041 Marlton Ave.,<br>Crenshaw Center, Los Angeles,<br>Calif; Crenshaw and Santa<br>Barbara Branch, Security-<br>First National Bank, 3650<br>Santa Barbara Ave., Los<br>Angeles, California. |
| 4/8/59      | 5.00          | Powell Schuman<br>Defense   | JOE STEINBERG Insurance,<br>425 South Vermont, Los<br>Angeles 5, California;<br>Figueroa-11th Branch, 1100<br>South Figueroa St., Los<br>Angeles, California.                                                                                                   |
| 4/15/59     | 5.00          | PSDF                        | [REDACTED] Corbin<br>Village Office, First<br>Western Bank and Trust<br>Co., Woodland Hills, Calif.                                                                                                                                                             |

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The "People's World" newspaper on 5/9/59 contained an article concerning legal action being taken by the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) in a local loyalty oath case. This case involves ARVILLA JACKSON, a CP member in the Juarez Club, Zapata Section, SCDOP.

According to [REDACTED] the "People's World" states that JACKSON, an unemployed comptometer operator, had been referred by the U. S. Employment Service to the Proto Tool Co. for employment. According to the article, "She met all job requirements but was denied work when she declined as a matter of principle to subscribe to the noncommunist affidavit attached to the concern's employment application." The Employment Service disqualified her from receiving unemployment benefits because she "refused or circumvented an offer of employment" by refusing to sign the oath. The Employment Service ruled that "refusal to sign merely as a matter of principle is not accepted as a good cause for refusing an offer of suitable work." This procedure was repeated when JACKSON was subsequently referred to the Bureau of Internal Revenue for possible employment. The "People's World" quotes ACLU attorneys as stating they will carry the case to the Supreme Court if necessary.

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1 - San Francisco (INFO) (REGISTERED)  
⑥ - Los Angeles (100-26045) (100-43372 - CINAL)  
(100-3267 - ACLU) (100-44910 - ARVILLA JACKSON)  
(100-51729 - DOWNTOWN CLUB) (100-Dead -  
COMMITTEE TO ABOLISH TEST OATHS)

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to SA [REDACTED]

5/14/59

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In this connection, [redacted] has furnished a mimeographed sheet bearing the heading "The Committee to Abolish Test Oaths, 1218 Temple Street." This sheet bears spaces for the names of contributors to a fund to defray the legal expenses of JACKSON, who is challenging "the right of the U. S. Employment Service to deny unemployment insurance to applicants who refuse to sign a loyalty oath." [redacted] advises that this is the personal enterprise of JACKSON with the backing of her fellow members in the Junior CP Club. The address 1218 Temple Street is that of the Downtown Club of Los Angeles (DTC). [redacted] advises the DTC of Los Angeles is dominated by the CP. It is the project of the Junior Club to control the DTC of Los Angeles, whose office rent is paid by the Junior Club.

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It should be noted that ARVILLA JACKSON is the same individual mentioned in Los Angeles airtel 5/15/59 captioned "DTC OF LOS ANGELES, IS-C, CINCAL," who was instrumental in formulating the current Chavez Ravine friction.

Further, concerning the Committee to Abolish Test Oaths, [redacted] advises this is entirely ARVILLA JACKSON's idea. The committee has no officers, members, or organizations and exists in name only. A dead file is being opened concerning this committee, and in the event it ever becomes an actual entity, the Bureau will be advised.

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CRIMINAL (94-598)  
5/14/93

American Civil Liberties  
Union Speaks Through  
Investigating Committee

The "Los Angeles Times News" today reports  
JOSEPH L. RAIN, Jr., spoke yesterday before an American  
Civil Liberties Union luncheon for lawyers held in Los  
Angeles. He is reported to have told those assembled that  
the House Un-American Activities Committee should not be  
closed up, but eliminated. He is also reported to have  
said that no democracy could have a permanent investigative  
committee.

RAIN is described as an attorney from Washington,  
D.C., who won contempt judgments for playwright ARTHUR  
MILLER and labor organizer JOHN WATKINS.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM-----U. S. GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

DATE: MAY 12 1959

FROM: SA EDWARD J. O'FLYNN

SUBJECT: (New)

(Old)

AMERICAN CIVIL  
LIBERTIES UNION,  
525 W 5TH ST. RM 202  
LOS ANGELES 13 CALIF.  
9 15 59 Y W E  
AMERICAN CIVIL  
LIBERTIES UNION,  
2865-A W. 9TH ST.,  
LOS ANGELES 6 CALIF.  
9 15 59 Y W E

"PEOPLE'S WORLD" SUBSCRIBERS  
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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

[redacted] on MAY 14 1959 furnished to SA EDWARD J. O'FLYNN the change in the "People's World" (PW) subscription address, as reflected above. No further record of this information is being retained in the informant's file or other files of the San Francisco Office. The PW is a West Coast Communist newspaper published weekly in San Francisco.

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, is in a position to furnish up-to-date information on the subscription list of the PW. Any disclosure of the fact that current subscription information is available to the FBI would immediately identify the informant as its source. Therefore, it is requested that current interviews and investigation of subjects be handled circumspectly in this regard.

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[redacted] advised that the subscription code below the mailing address has the following significance: The date indicated is the expiration date. A "Y" behind this date indicates a yearly subscription, and a "6" indicates a 6-months subscription. The "WE" indicates a weekend subscription, which applies in all cases now that the paper is only published weekly. A "C" designates charter subscribers; an "LTS" designates lifetime time subscription; and an "N" indicates a new subscriber. "CO" means that the subscription is complementary.

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1 - 61-369 (PW Subscribers)  
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55448)  
FROM : SA [REDACTED] b6  
SUBJECT: HIGHLAND PARK CLUB b7C  
ZAPATA SECTION (c)  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
IS - C

DATE: 5/12/59

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| [REDACTED]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be concealed | 4/22/59<br>b7D | 4/28/59 | Writer | [REDACTED] b7D |
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Informant's report is quoted as follows: (c)

"Los Angeles, April 24, 1959 (c)

"Communist Party Meeting of Highland Park  
(Zapata Section) Club, Wednesday, April 22,  
1959. 8:00 P.M., held in home of [REDACTED] (c)  
[REDACTED] Los Angeles,  
California

cc: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
100-41463 (D. ARKIN) (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
97-16 (PW)  
100-25184 (CULTURAL ACTIVITIES)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-26044 (ORGANIZATION)

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"Present were: (C)

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[REDACTED] (C)

[REDACTED] reported that DAVID ARKIN does not desire to attend Communist Party meetings because of impending (or promise of House Committee on Un-American Activities) hearing in June, 1959. (C)

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"Discussed possibility of Highland Park group carrying on activity. Resulted in [REDACTED] stating that he would contact some people who are interested in music and see what could be planned in the way of putting on jam sessions in neighborhood park (preferably Sycamore Grove Park in Highland Park). (C)

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[REDACTED] went into great detail of the issues around the so-called eviction of a family in Chavez Ravine, stating that the Mexican-American families are being discriminated against that the American families got more money for their homes than the Mexican-Americans. She couldn't give facts in being questioned by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] both of whom were not inclined to feel that the Mexican-Americans were given a bad deal. (C)

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"In regard to the 'People's World' Fund Drive, [REDACTED] also thought the Highland Park group could put on a party to raise some money, but no plans were made for this. (C)

[REDACTED] made a plea for funds for [REDACTED] because she has again been [REDACTED] also relief, because she will not sign a non-Communist affidavit on the jobs to which she is sent by the Unemployment Office. Now she has been penalized until May 23, 1959. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were not in a position to contribute at the meeting, however, [REDACTED] did contribute \$5.00. [REDACTED] is constantly telling us how she is the only person who is willing to fight the non-Communist oath with result of being penalized by the Unemployment office, and that if need be she will fight this thing all the way to the U. S. Supreme Court, which she said will cost a lot of money. The question was asked whether the American Civil Liberties Union didn't pay the legal expenses, to which she replied that they did, but not for U. S. Supreme Court hearings. (C)

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"Meeting adjourned 10:45 P.M." (C)

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Informant made available an announcement of the May Day celebration 5/1/59, in Los Angeles, which [REDACTED] on 4/22/59. The program also set out the CP proposals for the betterment of the working man [REDACTED]. (C)

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Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer..

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55448) b6

DATE: 5/14/59

FROM : SA [REDACTED] b7C

SUBJECT: ZAPATA SECTION (C)  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP)  
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| [REDACTED]<br>who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed. | Mtg. of Zapata Section Board, 4/13/59<br>b7D | 5/6/59 | Writer | [REDACTED] (C) b7D |
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Informant furnished a written report which contains the following: (C)

"On April 13, 1959 the Emiliano Zapata Section Board, So. Calif. District, C.P.U.S.A., held a meeting in the home of [REDACTED] were present: [REDACTED] of the Joe Hill club; [REDACTED] who arrived after 9 o'clock; and [REDACTED] (C) b6 b7C b7D

cc: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)  
[REDACTED] (SI)

100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-17840 (A. PITT) (SI)  
100-31753 (E. FLORES) (CI)  
100-56591 (S. MONROY) (SI)  
100-33476 (C. BRIGGS) (SI)

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"Among the points discussed in the latter part of the meeting were the following: (C)

"Comrade [ ] informed us on her current problems resulting from her unemployment. After being laid off by a large retail store she applied for unemployment insurance benefits which she eventually was receiving. As required by the State Employment Office she was asked to seek work at recommended business concerns. One such place gave her an applicant's form to fill out after having passed an aptitude test. Comrade [ ] then said the last item on the form was a loyalty oath which she refused to sign. Her would-be employer tried to persuade her to sign the oath but she continued her refusal on the 'grounds it would be against my principles,' she said. She, consequently, was told to report to the State Employment Office and informed that because she refused to meet the specified requirements asked by the concern she had, in effect, refused employment and would be penalized for five weeks during which time she is receiving no benefits from the State. Comrade [ ] said that then she applied for Relief but was refused help because they upheld the State Office's determination on her case. She then contacted the American Civil Liberties Union and has obtained the services of a lawyer. She informed us she will appeal her case and is determined to fight it through to the bitter end. She further stated the A.C.L.U. lawyer has given her copies of all documents prepared by the State Employment Office on her case. Comrade [ ] retorted that what she had read to us from these documents meant that [ ] was given written information illegally copied by her lawyer who, if caught, could be sent to prison for one to five years. [ ] was cautioned to keep quiet about the information she obtained, especially by [ ] who added she has 'the machine which can copy anything.' (C)

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"Comrade [ ] reported on her activities earlier this same day (4/13) saying she had visited the few remaining residents of Chavez Ravine. She added that aside from herself AL PITT and ELIZABETH FLORES also joined her. When she arrived at Chavez Ravine she said there were reporters from metropolitan newspapers and television cameras set up. While [ ] spoke to the residents she heard the news that the L.A. Dodgers were going to get a royal welcome at the City Hall (C)

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and be greeted personally by the Mayor. She persuaded the residents to make up signs and picket the City Hall. There were children who heard what she said and saying and they asked if they could go along. The mothers agreed and all concerned piled into an open truck, including a man over 70 years of age, and set up a picket line at the City Hall. The television cameras had already been set up when the party arrived and the O.V. crew and assorted reporters greeted [redacted] and her party with loud cheers of encouragement. [redacted] emphasized her picket line was peaceful and remained on the sidewalk, but one Chavez Ravine resident, described by [redacted] as a 'rabble-rouser' and by [redacted] as an 'ex-circus performer' caused a disturbance by screaming, cursing, and throwing signs at the Dodgers as they stepped out from a special bus. (C)

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"No District report was given because Comrades SOL and CYRIL were absent." (C)

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-51729) DATE: 5/6/59  
FROM : SA DONALD V. GIBBS  
SUBJECT: DOWNTOWN CLUB (c)  
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| [redacted]<br>who has<br>furnished<br>reliable<br>information<br>in the past,<br>and whose<br>identity<br>should be<br>concealed. | Meeting of<br>the Downtown<br>Club, 4/11/59,<br>at 1218 West<br>Temple Street,<br>Los Angeles,<br>California. | 4/20/59  | Writer | [redacted] |

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Informant identified the following individuals present  
at this meeting: (c)

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cc: [redacted]

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[redacted] who resides at [redacted]  
5'3", 118 pounds. Negro. wears glasses, light  
complexion. [redacted]  
[redacted]

The meeting was held for the purpose of attracting new members into the organization, but without much success. Only 10 people attend the affair and the activities included mainly playing Chinese Checkers and talk on the plight of [redacted] case against the Unemployment Commission. [redacted] was cut off from receiving employment benefits because she refused to sign an oath of loyalty before the Unemployment Board. [redacted] advised that she had turned her case over to the American Civil Liberties Union for action, and she intends to take it to court. She also intends to get out a mailing concerning her case and to publicize it all that she can. (S)

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016) DATE: 5/7/59

FROM: SA JOHN S. TEMPLE

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO  
PRESERVE AMERICAN  
FREEDOMS (CCPAF)  
IS - C

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| [redacted] b7D<br>who has fur-<br>nished reliable<br>information in<br>the past and<br>whose identity<br>should be<br>concealed. | Agenda,<br>minutes, and<br>the attendance<br>roster of a<br>CCPAF Executive<br>Board meeting,<br>4/27/59, 617 North<br>Larchmont Boulevard,<br>Los Angeles | 5/6/59   | writer | [redacted] b7D |

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furnished a copy of the agenda, minutes,  
and the attendance roster of a CCPAF special Executive Board  
meeting which took place on April 27, 1959, at 617 North  
Larchmont Boulevard, Los Angeles. The informant's report is  
dated 4/30/59 and was received by SA TEMPLE through the  
mail on 5/6/59. The informant advised that the agenda for the  
meeting was prepared by FRANK WILKINSON, Executive Secretary, (C)

cc: [redacted] b7D

100-16439 (F. WILKINSON)  
100-43681 (D. MARSHALL)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-36540 (B. CHESLEY)  
100-54645 (POWELL-SCHUMAN  
DEFENSE COMMITTEE)  
100-45682 (A. TAUB)  
100-4876 (A. WIRIN)  
100-21942 (NATIONAL COUNCIL  
OF CHRISTIANS & JEWS)  
100-46782 (P. KERBY)  
100-54424 (E. KERBY)  
62-1664 (HCUA)  
100-39376 (M. HALL)  
100-33336 (L. SPERBER)  
100-29670 (R. BISHOP)  
100-56498 (D. BAETCKE)  
100-43886 (W. STOUT)  
100-4959 (H. ALEXANDER)

100-31513 (T. NELSON)  
100-43962 (F. EISENBERG)  
100-45268 (F. SLOAT)  
100-48513 (G. COWELL)  
100-39688 (E. VANDERGoot)  
100-45843 (E. KATZ)  
100-55110 (I. FEUER)  
100-32634 (R. KONIGSBERG)  
100-7378 (W. ELCONIN)  
100-20130 (E. GOODLAW)  
121-974 (L. PAULING)

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CCPAF. The original draft of the minutes of the meeting was submitted to DOROTHY MARSHALL. Chairman, for her approval, and deletions and additions appearing on the original draft were made in English by DOROTHY MARSHALL. (C)

The agenda for the special meeting of the CCPAF Executive Board is set forth as follows: (C)

- "1) Roster of Attendance: On clip Board
- "2) Minutes of April 6, 1959: DRU BAETCKE, Executive Board Secretary
- "3) Chairman's Report: 1) Letter to Congress;  
2) Letter to National Conference of Christian and Jews re ALEXANDER.
- "4) ACLU Sacramento Lobby: Recommendation: That Chairman will go; other members of Board urged to attend. (C)
- "5) Theater Benefit For CCPAF: 'Quare Fellow' by BRENDAN BAHAN at Stage Society: \$2.20 (CCPAF gets \$1.08 per ticket): [redacted] needs help. Date: May 22, 1959. b6 b7C
- "6) POWELL-SCHUMAN Reception: Mr. and Mrs. ARTHUR TAUB, May 9. LINUS PAULING and A. L. WIRIN.
- "7) Secretary's Report:
  - "1) Teacher Hearings: a) ACLU meeting plans  
b) New literature  
c) Mailing
  - "2) Lawyers Guild Meeting & Supreme Court decisions Defense  
a) MEIKLEJOHN on June 13  
b) COE on May 23
  - "3) Defense Against anti-Supreme Court decision bills:  
a) New Literature & mailing  
b) Secretary national tour  
c) Chicago Hearings 5/5-6/59

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"Discussion on Recommendations to be carried by Secretary regarding: (C)

"1) Ways and means of fighting anti-Supreme Court bills

"2) Ways and means of stepping up national abolition campaign (C)

"3) Ways and means of maintaining Washington D.C. Legislative Information Center during next two years. ]

"8) Letter to post office regarding Mail Fraud: Chairman (C)

"9) Financial Report: Balance on hand, after travel and fare advances to Secretary: \$1357.00. (C)

"10) Office Staffing in Secretary's absence: BETTY CHESLEY (C)

"11) Other Business (C)

"12) Next Meeting: June 1" (C)

The final minutes of the special meeting of the CCPAF Executive Board for April 27, 1959, is as follows: (C)

"MINUTES

"CCPAF Special Board Meeting  
April 27, 1959 - Office, 7:30 PM (C)

"CHAIRMAN - DOROTHY MARSHALL

"1) Roster of attendance attached.

"2) Minutes of Executive Board meeting, 4/6/59, read by DRU BAETCKE, Executive Board Secretary, and approved. ]

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"3) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: (C)

"A. The ACLU Sacramento lobby will take place May 5 by chartered plane leaving International Airport at 8 AM, returning to Los Angeles at 9 PM. The Chairman urged Board members to avail themselves of this opportunity. It has been reported that Assemblyman O'CONNELL is having a rough time with civil rights legislation and asks for support. (C)

"B. A theater benefit for CCPAF has been arranged by [redacted] on May 22 at the Stage Society performance of 'Quare Fellow'. CCPAF will receive \$1.08 for each ticket sold and [redacted] asks for help in selling tickets. Board members were asked to sell as many tickets as possible. (C)

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"C. Invitations have been mailed for the Powell-Schuman reception to be held at the home of Mr. & Mrs. ARTHUR TAUB on May 9. Speakers will be A. L. WIRIN and LINUS PAULING. Board Members were urged to attend. (C)

"D. A CCPAF letter to individual members of Congress, signed by the Chairman, was mailed under date of 4/13. This letter quotes former President TRUMAN's statement in Los Angeles and asks Congressmen why they voted the HCUA an appropriation for 1959 and why they did not support the Roosevelt Resolution. To date 2 replies have been received. (C)

"E. A CCPAF letter, signed by the Chairman, has been mailed to every member of the So. Calif. Board of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, condemning the action of the Executive Director, JACOB CUNNINGHAM, for his action in causing (C)

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"the dismissal of 3 pupils from the NCCJ Brotherhood Camp, due to the alleged political beliefs of their father, HERSHEL ALEXANDER. The Chairman also telephoned 15 members of the NCCJ Board asking them where they stood on this action which violates the tenets of brotherhood. The Chairman reported that TV commentator BILL STOUT gave a resume of the case on the air. (C)

"4) A vote of thanks was unanimously tendered BETTY & PHIL KERBY for the excellent pamphlet which they prepared for CCPAF: 'Voice of Resistance Across The Nation,' of which 10,000 copies have been printed for distribution. (C)

"5) SECRETARY'S REPORT: (C)

"A) The impending return of the HCUA to investigate teachers and others presents the problem of advance work to head off the hearings. The Secretary reported that a meeting of 14 teachers was held at the WILKINSON home on April 6, at which time plans were formulated for the preparation of new literature; a committee of 3 will pass on same. The teachers agreed to try and raise funds for the printing of literature. An action program was planned to write letters directly to Congressmen. To date the teachers group have turned in \$165 to cover cost of printing 10,000 of 'New Voices Of Resistance Across The Nation,' pamphlet. (C)

"The Secretary reported that the TRUMAN speech in Los Angeles was not covered outside of LA County. (C)

"B) A committee has been formed to work on the Lawyers Guild meeting and Supreme Court decisions defense. CCPAF will not participate in the Lawyers Guild meeting of May 25. Due to the fact that ALEXANDER MIKLEJOHN will not be available until (C)

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"mid-June, and depending upon others, a meeting honoring the Lawyers Guild and friends will be sponsored by CCPAF on June 13. A tentative reservation for a meeting place has been made for this date. (C)

"C) The Secretary requested leave for 1 month to go East for the purpose of stirring up resistance to the anti-Supreme Court bills. HCUA hearings in Chicago will be held May 5 and 6. The Secretary received a telephone call asking for his assistance in Chicago. Expenses of the trip will be covered by Chicago Subpoenees. Additional funds covering expenses of this trip have been raised in Los Angeles. Also the Unitarian Church has offered to pay \$100 towards expense of this trip as the Secretary would attend the Unitarian meeting in Boston. The Religious Freedoms Committee have made a commitment of \$50 for the Secretary to speak in New York. (C)

"The Secretary will also attend the ECLC National Council meeting in New York. (C)

"D. The Secretary recommends that during the next 90 days CCPAF concentrate on the Supreme Court defense, except for HCUA hearings. In general he feels that the Senate is of the most importance as there are 8 or 10 liberals who may stand firm. He feels that there is no chance of holding off attacks in the House. (C)

The Secretary plans to try and get information in 80 to 100 congressional districts in 6 major areas (Detroit, Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, Boston, and Trenton, where liberal Congressmen may go along for Abolition. Also to develop a program and set up action in each area with religious leaders, depending upon conditions, with each area contributing financially. (C)

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"M/S/C that the Secretary make the trip as requested. (C)

"General discussion as follows: (C)

1. Ways and means of fighting anti-Supreme Court bills.
2. Ways & means of stepping up the national Abolition campaign.
3. Ways & means of maintaining Washington D.C. Legislative Information Center during the next 2 years.

"The Secretary feels that ECLC did not give sufficient warning on the impending Eastland Committee hearings on the 13 anti-Supreme Court bills. A communication from RUSS NIXON indicates that he is trying to obtain the necessary information. A legislative type of bulletin out of Washington supplying information in advance is necessary for national political action to save the Supreme Court decisions. ECLC still has a Washington office but is in need of finances (C)

"M/S/C that the Board postpone decision on Washington bulletin. (C)

"The Board were unanimous in feeling that the situation justifies the Secretary's trip to wake up the countryside in defense of the Supreme Court and to overcome apathy in the interest of the Abolition campaign. (C)

"Following discussion, the question of the financial budget for the Secretary's trip was satisfactorily settled. The Treasurer reported that bank balance on hand, after travel and fare advances to Secretary: \$1357.00. (C)

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"MARTIN HALL suggested that Minneapolis should be added to the list of areas to set up a program of action, as support of Senator HIMPHEREYS might be obtained if pressure in his own state were brought to bear. An article in the National Guardian reported that a 3 hour TV program with ANNETTE RUBINSTEIN took place on a Minneapolis channel. L. SPERBER suggested that information be obtained as to who made arrangements for this program. (C)

"He also recommended that the Secretary contact Lawyers Guild members in Minneapolis. (C)

"RUTH BISHOP suggested that the Secretary should have the services of a secretary on this trip to relieve him of routine detail. She thought that it would be possible to raise funds for the expenses if a volunteer would offer to make the trip. After general discussion the Secretary decided that it would be more practical to engage the services of local stenographers to type correspondence, etc., from various places. (C)

"A member of the Board reported that the Los Angeles Mirror published an article commending the work of TOM NELSON, under the auspices of the Friends Service Committee. (C)

"The Chairman proposed that the Executive Board appoint a member to coordinate the subpoenees and work with them before the hearings take place. The name of FRANCES EISENBERG, who is an accredited tutor for the school system, was suggested. The Chairman agreed to handle this. (C)

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- "The Secretary reported that a committee of 14 teachers, coordinated by FLORENCE SLOAT and BETTY CHESLEY, will go into action to assist the ACLU when the Barenblatt decision is announced, if the decision is favorable. (C)
- "6) The Chairman reported that a copy of a current book on Communism, by the Overstreet, had been returned to CCPAF, having been sent by someone under the name of CCPAF. After a general discussion, members of the Board felt that the unauthorized use of CCPAF's name should be handled by legal authority. (C)
- "7) General discussion of the mailing of 10,000 copies of pamphlet 'Voices of Resistance Across the Nation' took place. (C)
- "M/S/C that CCPAF mail 5000 copies of the pamphlet to a selected list; that 5000 pamphlets be turned over to the teachers group for mailing to friends and associates. (C)
- "It was suggested that the teachers obtain an official list of teaching personnel from the Board of Education. BETTY CHESLEY agreed to contact the teachers. RUTH BISHOP will handle the Long Beach area. (C)
- "8) Further discussion of Ways and Means of fighting anti-Supreme Court bills took place. The Board decided that the ACLU statement was too long for an ad. The names of JOSEPH WELCH and TELFORD TAYLOR were suggested to sign a statement or a letter to the New York Times, and reprinted throughout the country. A letter to historians at the various universities was suggested. No definite action was taken. (C)

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"Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM. (C)

"Next meeting June 1." (C)

The informant advised that the following persons affixed their name to an attendance roster and were in attendance at the aforementioned meeting: (C)

"MARTIN HALL  
GEORGE COWELL  
ELNA VANDERGOOT  
ELI KATZ  
ISRAEL FEUER  
RUTH BISHOP  
R. KONIGSBERG  
BILL ELCONIN  
LAURENCE SPERBER  
ELIZABETH KERBY  
PHIL KERBY  
ED GOODLAW  
TOM NELSON

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267) DATE: 5/12/59  
FROM : SA HENRY F. ALSTON  
SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
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| [REDACTED] | ACLU mtg.<br>4/4/59 | 4/5/59   | Writer | [REDACTED] |

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The text of the informants' statement is as follows:

"April 4, 1959

"Went to A.C.L.U. party held at MANNY SANTANA's home on Holly Street in Anaheim. Those attending were as follows. The party was held on April 4, 1959.

MANNY SANTANA and wife  
BERT & HELEN DUGDALE  
TED & RUTH KNOWLTON

cc: [REDACTED]

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100-47203 (H. DUGDALE) (SI)  
100-50269 (T. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-56569 (R. KNOWLTON) (SI)  
100-57372 (J. HEBERT)  
100-52869 (A. HEBERT)  
100-29455 (A. APPEL) (SI)  
100-10701 (C. APPEL) (SI)  
100-5282 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-56531 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-54774 [REDACTED] (SI)

100-54773 [REDACTED] (SI)  
100-56576 (T. LEDBETTER) (SI)  
100-45362 (T. HOOKER) (SI)  
100-46678 (N. SANTANA) (SI)  
100-46679 (A. SANTANA) (SI)  
100-50263 (A. JOHNSON)

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JOE & AILENE HEBERT

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] & husband

[REDACTED]

THELMA LEDBETTER

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] & wife

BOB LEEDUM, Editor of Forum

TED HOOKER

BERT, HELEN, AILENE & JOE played some of the old progressive songs & [REDACTED] did the same. Everyone donated a \$1. Don't know how much they raised.

"Also one man who works for the County Probation Office of Orange County. He lives in Costa Mesa. He is quite liberal. He was one of the people who war with us when we tried to start a chapter about 2 years ago."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55822)

DATE: 5/13/59

FROM : SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: [ORANGE COUNTY SECTION] (C)  
COMMUNIST PARTY (CP)  
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| [redacted] | Orange Co. CP club mtg. 4/27/59 | 5/6/59<br>b7D | Writer | [redacted] |
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The text of the informants' statement is as follows: (C)

"April 28, 1959 (C)

"On April 27, 1959 a meeting of the Orange County Communist Club was held at the home of [redacted] at [redacted]. Those attending were: (C)

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cc: [redacted]

[redacted] (SI)  
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100-3276 (ACLU)  
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100-4959 (H. ALEXANDER) (SI)  
100- [redacted] (SI)  
100-54774 [redacted] (SI)  
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[ ] chaired the meeting. [ ] reported on the meeting in Los Angeles and stated that one of the members who had been called as a witness by the un-american activities committee, had had his children taken out of a church camp and he was very upset that none of the members of the party had even called to ask how they could help. Others had asked him not to make too much of a fuss about it for fear their own children would also be put out. [ ] stated that he was a negro and referred to him as HERMAN (HERSCHEL) ALEXANDER. (C)

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[ ] asked permission of the club to send mailings of the announcement of the May Day Celebration of the Communist Party to some of the people on the ACLU mailing list. He suggested as a few possibilities, [ ] and HENRY WOODS, [ ]. He also stated that he would like to have his daughter and her husband in, but that ALLENE was pretty fed up with the struggle and not getting anywhere. (C)

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"The meeting was adjourned early. (C)

"The next meeting place had not been decided on. (C)

ACTION:

Informants were thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 5/8/59

FROM : SA CLAUDE E. WILLIS, JR.

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES  
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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed. | March, 1959, issue of "The Open Forum" issued by the ACLU of Southern Calif. | 4/30/59<br><br>b7D | writer | [redacted] |

Informant furnished the above item.

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

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cc: [redacted]

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[REDACTED] Det. [REDACTED] 5/7/59 [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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The text of the informant's statement is as follows:

May 7, 1959  
Union Ave., Calif.

On May 4, 1959, [REDACTED] telephoned [REDACTED] and reported on a meeting held the previous Thursday at [REDACTED] residence in [REDACTED]. She said the meeting was a group of people interested in taking steps to stop A-bomb tests.

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[REDACTED] said AL APPEL was chairman of the group and that he was so belligerent and insistent on doing things his way that the group was split on several things. APPEL wanted a meeting held in Carpenter's Union Hall in Anaheim.

cc: [REDACTED]

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(AMERICAN FRIENDS  
SERVICE COMMITTEE)

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The others wanted the American Friends Service Committee to undertake auspices of the meeting. She told [redacted] and called her and that he could get a Brigadier General to speak and could get the Methodist Church in Garden Grove as the location on May 24, 1959. [redacted] was quite critical of AL APPEL. She did not say who else was in the group.

On 5/7/59, [redacted] made available a letter from the AGIF dated 4/23/59 addressed to Orange County members. It was signed by [redacted] and [redacted] of the 1959 Memorial Service of the Orange County chapter and requested members to submit appropriate names. This letter is being filed in [redacted]

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could furnish no additional information.

The names of [redacted] and [redacted] are being indexed to this memo.

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SA MERLE L. PARKER

DOWNTOWN CLUB  
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| [redacted]<br>[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed. | Pamphlet advertising American Civil Liberties Union speaker before the Downtown Club, 4/26/59 | 4/27/59 | writer | [redacted] |
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This is a mimeographed sheet advertising a meeting of the Downtown Club, 4/26/59, at which OTIS COAN of the American Civil Liberties Union and Professor of English at Los Angeles City College will be the guest speaker on "Are Our Constitutional Rights In Danger?".

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by [redacted] writer.

cc:

100-3267 (ACLU)  
61-58 (O. COAN)

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# FEP Victory; Oath Repeal Next?

A ten-year battle to secure equal employment opportunities for all California citizens is over.

The State Senate, by a resounding 30 to 5 vote, passed a Fair Employment Practices Act which was given top priority on Governor Edmund G. "Pat" Brown's legislative program.

Crippling amendments, designed to strip the five-member FEP Commission of its investigative powers, were defeated.

Gov. Brown said passage of the measure was "a historic step forward in the ages-long battle against prejudice and discrimination." He assured critics of the bill that the law will be administered fairly and equitably. He said every effort will be made to resolve complaints quickly and without fanfare.

The bill, authored by Assemblyman William B. Rumford, D.,

Berkeley, and Senator George Miller Jr., D., Martinez, empowers the FEP Commission to investigate cases of discrimination in employment by industry, employment agencies and labor unions.

The FEP victory was the signal for redoubled efforts to win another uphill fight—the repeal of State loyalty oaths for public employees.

Despite an initial setback, the Southern California ACLU is determined to wage an intensive fight to repeal the Levering Oath and restore the original constitutional oath for public officers and employees.

In a basic test of pro and con loyalty oath sentiment, the Assembly last month defeated AB 215, designed merely to "bury" the now-dead loyalty oath re-

quired for veterans and church property tax exemptions held un-

## ACTION!

### Sacramento

• Write your Assemblyman and State Senator:

1. To work for repeal of the Levering Oath and vote for ACA 8 and AB 1768. (See summary of arguments on Page 3.)

2. To resist all efforts to nullify the Oath decision (outlawing illegally obtained evidence) and the Priestly decision (requiring the identity of police informers).

3. To work for passage of fair housing bills: AB 113, AB 444, AB 694, AB 890.

4. To vote for AB 221, an eight-year moratorium on capital punishment.

constitutional by the U. S. Supreme Court.

### Party Lines

The repeal measure was defeated by a 41 to 39 vote with all Assembly Republicans voting against the bill, and joined by Democrats Don Allen, Tom Banc, Clayton Dills, Sheridan Hegland, Rex Cunningham, Edward Gaffney, Pauline Davis, and Louis Lowrey.

Major focus of the oath repeal campaign has now been shifted to support of AB 1766 which provides that only elective officers and appointive officers whose terms are fixed by the constitution shall be required to take the 1952 Levering Oath. All other State employees would take the simple positive oath to support the Constitution of the United States and the State of California.

The measure would require only a majority vote in the Assembly and the Senate for passage.

### Air Lobby

An air caravan of 38 ACLU members will fly to Sacramento on May 5 to dramatize the appeal for passage of AB 1768. The plane-load of ACLU lobbyists will attend a hearing on the measure before the Assembly Government Efficiency and Economy Committee.

Assemblyman S. C. Masterson is committee chairman; Southern California committee members are Assemblymen George Brown, Lou Cusanovich, Edward Elliott, Richard T. Hanna, Harold K. Levering, Frank Luckel, Lester A. McMillan, and Bruce V. Reagan.

Although AB 1766 is now (Continued on Page Four)

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## Sen. Kuchel Blasts Court-Hacking Bills

The "dunger" flag was raised over the 86th Congress this month as more than 40 House bills and 200 Senate bills, most of them aimed at repealing the Supreme Court decision in 1954 in *Brown v. Board of Education*, were introduced.

One of the measures, HR 2369, redefining the term "organized" as used in the Smith Act, has already passed the House and is now before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Passage of this measure signaled the imminent danger of other civil liberties defeats, and indicated the need for a concentrated offensive against further inroads against constitutional rights.

### ABA-Inspired

Leading the extremist pack is Senator James Eastland, D., Miss., who introduced seven bills designed to carry out recent recommendations of the American Bar Association to "correct certain decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court."

Among the few outspoken critics of the Eastland proposals was Senator Thomas Kuchel, R., Calif., who said it was "frightening that some intemperate persons pour their spleen upon our venerated highest tribunal."

Kuchel said it was just a year ago that the Senate was asked to vote for legislative proposals designed to undermine, to weaken and to produce the court's jurisdiction.

"These legislative proposals

went down to their well-deserved defeat on roll call votes here in the Senate. I think this is a rather plain and decisive answer to the comments made by the distinguished Senator from Mississippi.

Contrary View  
"In saying that, I desire vigorously to object to the opinions which the distinguished Senator from Mississippi has expressed. In my judgment, the great majority of the people of the nation, and the great majority of the members of the Senate hold vigorously to contrary opinions.

The Supreme Court will live in history as a bulwark of our constitutional system," Kuchel said.

Senator Joseph Clark, D., Pa., also spoke on the Senate floor against the Eastland-ABA proposals.

He quoted the stand of the (Continued on Page Four)

## ACLU Moves To Downtown Headquarters

The Southern California ACLU is on the move again! On May 1 the local headquarters will relocate in a spacious office building in downtown Los Angeles, located at 325 West Fifth Street.

The new quarters—all 3400 square feet of it—was made available at a nominal rental through the generosity of ACLU board member Attorney Alan Sterdy and his sister Beth.

The new office will occupy the entire second floor of the downtown building and will contain ample space for a conference room for board and committee meetings.

The headquarters will have more than elbow room for the growing staff and equipment to maintain ACLU's legal, legislative, educational program.

## New Policy Opposes Capital Punishment

For the first time in the 40-year history of the ACLU, capital punishment has been regarded as an outright violation of the Bill of Rights.

The Southern California ACLU—in a precedent-setting decision—last month listed the death penalty as an outright violation of the Eighth Amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting "cruel and unusual punishment."

The new ACLU policy statement, adopted by the Board of Directors after lengthy study, said, "Crime and punishment should be brought into line with modern scientific knowledge concerning the rehabilitation of criminals and human behavior."

A detailed statement of the ACLU's legal position on the death penalty ban is now in preparation by the legal committee.

Urging support for AB 221, a bill to ban the death penalty in

California, the ACLU took note of the world trend toward complete abolition of capital punishment.

Fifty countries of the world have eliminated the death penalty by law or tradition. In the United States, eight states—Delaware, Maine, Rhode Island, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, and Alaska—do not permit executions.

### No Deterrent

The common belief that the death penalty serves as a deterrent to the commission of capital crime has been repudiated by statistical studies which show that differences in homicide rates are in no way correlated with differences in the death penalty.

Case studies consistently reveal that a murderer seldom considers the possible consequences of his actions, and if he does, he evidently is not deterred by the death penalty.

## Legislator Sued in Test of Immunity

Superior Judge Clarence Harden of San Diego, in overruling a motion to dismiss a \$50,000 damage suit, ruled in effect last month that State legislators are liable for acts stemming from

the performance of their legislative duties.

The ruling, destined to have widespread repercussions, was handed down March 27 in a suit brought by Nate Rosenberg, San Diego bar owner, against Assemblyman Bruce F. Allen, chairman of an Assembly rackeys sub-committee.

The damage suit charged that Allen and Joseph B. Tracy, committee sergeant at arms, forced Rosenberg to surrender a two-page document containing instructions from his attorney during the committee's hearings in San Diego last October.

Assault Charged  
The seizure, which was carried over local television stations, was a "vicious, violent, and malicious assault" against Rosenberg, the suit charged.

In a motion to quash the complaint, the State Attorney General claimed that members of the Legislature have complete immunity from civil liability for acts arising out of the performance of legislative functions.

"By reason of the doctrine of separation of powers under which judicial, legislative and executive functions are separate but equal, the doctrine of judicial immunity is analogous to the doctrine of legislative immunity.

"A judge of the Superior Court is not liable to a civil action for his judicial acts, even when such acts exceed his jurisdiction."

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BRIGHT FUTURE — Mrs. Elizabeth Poe Kerby predicted end of Hollywood blacklist at ACLU-sponsored meeting. Screen writers Nathan E. Douglas and Harold Jacob Smith, "Oscar" winners for "The Defiant Ones," participated in discussion. Pictured from left are Douglas, Smith, Mrs. Kerby, and Ed Elias, Beverly Hills-Westwood chapter president. Three hundred attended the event held in Stanley Hall. See story, Page Four.

## ACTION!

Washington, D.C.

• Write to Senator Thomas Kuchel:

1. Commending him for his forthright statement on March 5 in support of the U. S. Supreme Court.

• Write to Senator Kuchel and Senator Claire Engel and your Congressman:

1. To oppose all bills that would weaken or overturn recent liberal decisions of the Supreme Court.

2. To support the Douglas civil rights bill, S. 810.

## City Supported in Phone Rate Battle

The Southern California ACLU last month supported the City of Los Angeles in a fight of the court brief which exposed the manner in which local telephone

### Court Upholds Expulsion of Union Member

The California Supreme Court, applying the doctrine of "clean hands," last month upheld expulsion of a labor union member for alleged support of Communist front organizations.

The court, in a 1-2 decision, ruled that apparent lack of candor throughout the trial court testimony coupled with his refusal to tell whether he was ever a member of the Communist Party, were sufficient grounds to sustain the decision of James C. Allen (file No. 1574, United Brotherhood of Carpenters).

Allen, former vice-president and business agent of the union, was expelled in 1955 on charges that he gave "aid, comfort and support to Communist-front organizations."

The ACLU-supported suit in defense of Allen contended that the evidence was insufficient to support his expulsion and was based primarily upon hearsay and newspaper reports.

The suit sought Allen's reinstatement in his local union and a judgment for damages against union officials for alleged wrongful expulsion.

rates were hiked last year.

The brief, filed in the U.S. Supreme Court, marked the first time that the ACLU entered a case in the city's behalf.

The brief challenged the authority of the state Public Utilities Commission to grant telephone rate increases of \$1,125,000 per month without prior notice or hearings before consumers or their municipal representatives.

#### Appeal Lost

The high court, however, ruled that the rate increases were valid.

The ACLU brief charged that the commission authorized the rate increases in May, 1953, in a manner which "deprived the consuming public of property without due process of law."

Rate increases were granted to four California public utility companies: Pacific Telephone and Telegraph, General Telephone Company of California, California Water and Telephone and Southern California Telephone Company.

#### Due Process Violated

"Where the property of individuals or groups of citizens is adversely affected by the acts of a government agency, these acts must be done in a manner consistent with due process," the ACLU said.

"A hearing conducted without reasonable notice is not a hearing at all in the constitutional sense of the term."

The union's brief was prepared by Attyr. A. J. Wirin, Fred Okrand and Richard W. Pothersledge.

## SCHOOL BOARD LIETS BAN OF CHILD BRIDE

A 15-year old girl, even the right to continue her schooling at Escondido Union High School last month, following intervention by ACLU attorneys in San Diego.

Under a school policy adopted last year, Beverly was prohibited from attending school following her marriage with her husband, a consent to a 16-year old sister in October, 1953.

School authorities refused to enroll Beverly even after the San Diego County District had held a hearing matter that there was no statutory authority to deny a person otherwise eligible the right to attend a

public school because of marriage.

ACLU Attorneys Louis S. Katz and Edwin Gustin filed a petition on February 13 for a writ of mandamus requesting that the school district be compelled to admit Beverly as a student. The suit charged that school officials had abused their discretion and acted in excess of their legal protection of the law.

On March 17, the suit was dropped after school authorities agreed to rescind their policy. Beverly was later admitted to classes.

## Anti-Court Bills Swamp Congress

(Continued from Page One) Philadelphia. For Association which repudiated the ABA's criticism of the Supreme Court's term bills.

The measures introduced by Senator Eastland include:

S. 1295, to permit the effectiveness of state rate-of-interest laws against attachment of federal protection;

S. 1296, to change the term "organized" as used in the Smith Act;

S. 1297, to make full disclosure regarding loyalty to the United States a condition of government employment;

S. 1298, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the deportation of those who were or became Communists at any time subsequent to entering into the U.S.;

S. 1299, to amend the Espionage and Sabotage Act to require treason in time of war

or national emergency and post-war procedure;

S. 1291, to give the executive branch of the government the power to determine and to designate those who are "security risks" in both sensitive and non-sensitive positions;

S. 1295, to amend the Smith Act to make it a crime to intentionally advocate the violent overthrow of the government or to teach the necessity, desirability, or duty of seeking such overthrow;

On the affirmative side of the Congressional picture are a number of civil rights proposals which would protect federal voting rights, help enforce public school desegregation, and provide for federal action in the housing of schools and places of religious worship.

The legislative effort of nationwide ACLU support is Senate Bill 820 introduced by Sen. Paul Douglas, D., Illinois.

## Curtain Dropping on Decade of Film Industry Blacklist

The political fires which have scorched the motion picture industry for more than 12 years are going out, and with the decline of blacklisting, films of social realism are returning to the silver screen. Blacklistee Max Baer, told a Southern California ACLU audience last week.

Dramatic proof that society is returning to Hollywood was the appearance of Nathan F. Seltzman, who had been blacklisted in the film industry since 1953, and Harold Jacob Smith, winners of the 1955 Academy Award for the original story and screenplay of "The Defiant Ones."

Douglas and Smith received an enthusiastic ovation from the capacity audience at Stanley Hall and answered a volume of questions from the audience.

Mrs. Morley, who was a research associate on the Fund for the Republics study on blacklisting in 1954, traced the 12-

year rise and fall of the Hollywood blacklist.

The investigation, which stretched over a period of six years, has been found to coincide almost exactly with the decline of social realism in film content.

"The recent Fund for the Republics study showed that social realism films dropped from 24 per cent of the total Hollywood product in 1947 to nine per cent or the total product in 1952."

#### Reactions

Today it is estimated that nearly 15 per cent of Hollywood films are written by blacklisted writers, although they are not yet writing under their own names.

"During the next year blacklisted writers may be allowed to sign their own names," Mrs. Morley predicted.

Early this year the Motion

Picture Academy of Arts and Sciences rescinded its 1951 anti-defending Academy Award to artists who refused to cooperate with the House Committee.

#### Reuben Returns

"This was final proof of a profound change in the motion picture industry," Mrs. Morley said. "With the decline of blacklisting and the realization that movies must be of higher quality in order to compete with television, films of social realism are returning to the screen," she stated.

As examples she cited such films as "Friendly Persuasion" and "The Bridge on the River Kwai," concerning pacifism. "The Defiant Ones," representing one of the strongest statements of America's racial problems ever shown on the screen, and two recent films on capital punishment.

### Theater Series Books Musical

"Be An Angel," a musical comedy, about show business, will be the next production in the current Southern California ACLU theater series.

An original musical comedy by Ray Holden, the play will be staged May 19 and 21 at Players Stage Club Playhouse, 735 No. 1st Street.

Tickets at \$2.00 per person may be reserved by sending checks or money orders to the ACLU office, 2863 West Ninth St. or after May 1, to the new branch office at 325 West Fifth St., Los Angeles.

The theater series is being sponsored by the Southern California ACLU Chapter with Mrs. Jack Long serving as committee chairman.

## Air Lobby to Capitol Aimed at Oath Repeal

(Continued from Page One) The ACLU is now lobbying the California legislature to repeal the oath requirement for all public officers and employees.

Support, however, is rapidly growing to support the air campaign to the State Capitol by passing the legislation by special congressional action to repeal the oath of others who cannot personally affirm the right.

Other legislative highlights this month include:

• Approval by the Senate Judiciary Committee of SB 728, suspending for a two-year period the Cuban rule in narcotics cases. The bill cleared the committee by a 9 to 4 vote after amendments were adopted to require that the measure did not permit violations of due process of law.

• Hearings on other search and seizure bills including SB 523, dealing the scope of search in narcotics cases, and SB 524, dealing the present decision in narcotics cases, are scheduled for hearings in about two weeks.

• Amendment of SB 211, providing for eight-year maximum imprisonment for capital punishment, is also being considered.

• A continuation of a series of bills, AB 2713 through 2723, dealing with the commission of various acts prohibited as "obscene and pornographic." The possibility of passage of these bills is not at all slight.

## Registration Laws in Tri-City Attack

A three-pronged attack on criminal registration laws is underway in California courts with the support of the Southern California ACLU.

Long Beach, Beverly Hills and Los Angeles ordinances which require ex-convicts to register with local police are being tested in three separate actions which charge that such laws impose punishment "because of mere status which is neither morally, ethically or legally criminal."

In a friend of the court brief filed last month in the District Court of Appeal, ACLU Counsel A. L. Wirin and Fred Okrand contended that the Los Angeles registration law violates due process and equal protection of the law.

#### Amendable

The brief was filed in behalf of Mrs. Virginia Lambert who was acquitted of violating the ordinance under a 5-1 decision handed down by the U. S. Supreme Court in 1957.

The high court held that due process of law was violated in Mrs. Lambert's conviction because no probability of her knowledge was shown by the prosecution.

#### Reversed

However, in an 8-1 ruling handed down last month, the Supreme Court reversed itself and returned to the legal doctrine that ignorance of the law is no excuse.

Mrs. Lambert now faces a re-hearing before the District Court.

The ACLU is also testing the constitutionality of felon registration laws in suits filed in behalf of John H. Abbott, a con-

scientious objector, and Attyr. George E. Shibley of Long Beach.

## Solon Sued

(Continued from Page One) dictation and are alleged to have been done maliciously -- a rule that has been applied in California in opposing a class of non-tenants.

Judge Harbo, however, ruled that a cause of action exists, and Allen and Tracy must therefore stand trial.

#### Presume Precedent

ACLU Counsel A. L. Wirin and cooperating Attorney Louis F. Katz, of San Diego, appeared as friends of the court in arguments against dismissal of the complaint.

Wirin said that Judge Harbo's ruling would have an important effect on several pending ACLU cases, including suits testing the constitutionality of the U.S. Boyce Patrol and the House Un-American Activities Committee.

In those cases, the issue of civil liability of State and Federal officers who exceed their authority is at stake.

#### Wirin Speaks

ACLU Counsel A. L. Wirin will address the Westwood Democratic Club at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 23, at Fairview Ave. School. It will speak on constitutional rights and the present status of search and seizure procedures.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 5/26/59

FROM : SA LEON J. MEYER

CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 URT/KH  
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 1-8-92

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF Classification  
DATE 8/17/78 JSJ/RS

Informant on 5/7/59 furnished a handwritten signed  
report, set forth as follows:

"Date: April 28, 1959  
Place: [redacted]  
Activity: [redacted]

Union. [redacted] of the American Civil Liberties

[redacted] and one unknown elderly man. Ways  
and means were discussed on forming a committee to take [redacted]  
[redacted] case all the way to the Supreme Court. It was decided  
to start raising funds to pay the ACLU and other immediate costs  
pertaining to her hearing before an unemployment insurance board."

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above  
and could add nothing further.  
All necessary action concerning above has been taken.

cc: [redacted]

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55822) DATE: 5/22/59

FROM : SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: [ORANGE COUNTY SECTION, CP, USA] IS-C

12-29-81  
CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 URT/ctt  
REASON: FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
DATE OF REVIEW 12-29-91

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| [redacted] and<br>who have<br>furnished<br>reliable<br>information<br>in the past,<br>and whose<br>identities<br>should be<br>concealed. | Orange County<br>CP Club meet,<br>5/11/59 | 5/13/59 | Writer | [redacted] |
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SLIP(S) OF Classification  
DATE 8/17/78 JSP/rss

The text of the informant's statement is as follows:

"Anaheim, California  
5/13/59

"On 5/11/59 a meeting of the Orange County Club  
of the CP met at the home of [redacted]  
California.

"Those in attendance were: [redacted]

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cc: [redacted]

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100-33252 (J. MILLER) (SI)  
100-28883 (M. LEWIS) (SI)  
100-32467 [redacted] (SI)  
100-32466 [redacted] (SI)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
97-16 (PW)

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[redacted] made up the agenda for the meeting. (C)

"First on the agenda was a report by [redacted] on the meeting she attended May 1, 1959 in connection with the Atomic Fallout. [redacted] reported [redacted] refused to be a part of the group because [redacted] had sent her communist literature. (C)

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"Following [redacted] report [redacted] stated if his presence in the Atomic Fallout group would cause trouble he would of his own accord stay away from any future meetings. He said that it would be o.k. for anyone else in the Club to attend as long as their connection with the CP was unknown. [redacted] then informed the membership that [redacted] had informed him there will be a meeting of the ACLU to elect officers on 5/14/59 at the Methodist Church in Anaheim. (C)

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"Next on the agenda was an announcement by [redacted] that the Club had been credited with \$91 toward its PW quota. [redacted] then announced that only \$81.00 had so far been received by the club in contributions to the PW so that it would appear an unknown individual had sent in \$10. (C)

"The club then discussed individuals who might be willing to contribute to the PW. Among those discussed were: (C)

"JACK MILLER  
[redacted]  
MATILDA LEWIS

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"Next on the agenda was a suggestion by [redacted] that the Club have an open meeting soon at which outsiders can be invited. He said the Club could consider new recruits into the party from those attending. (C)

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"Next meeting is scheduled to be held in two weeks."

Informants were thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

ACTION: All action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55448) DATE: 5/21/59

FROM : SA [redacted] b6  
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SUBJECT: JUAREZ CLUB (c)  
ZAPATA SECTION (c)  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP), USA  
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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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Informant's report read as follows: (c)

"Los Angeles, May 8, 1959 (c)

"Communist Party Meeting of Juarez Club (Zapata Section)  
Thursday, May 7, 1959: 8:00 PM b7D

cc: [redacted]  
100-29380 (N. BLAIR)(SI)  
100-44910 (A. JACKSON)(SI)  
100-23476 (C. BRIGGS)(SI)  
100-41301 (E. HOLMES)(SI)  
100-29693 (D. MAYR)(SI)  
100-33054 (D. VARELA)(SI)  
100-41954 (F. JORDAN)(SI)  
100-20559 [redacted](SI)  
100-26928 (B. ROTHMAN)(SI)  
100-56494 (AL ALDEZMA)(SI)  
100-56495 (E. ALDEZMA)(SI)  
100-4876 (A. L. WIRIN)  
100-26520 (S. MANDEL)(SI)  
100-20874 (G. BASS)(SI)  
100-30398 (S. DOROSHKIN)(SI)  
100-32440 (M. GOLD)  
100-4963 (P. PERRY)(SI)  
100-56591 (S. MONROY)(SI)

100-31712 (S. KONICK)  
100-32449 (H. KONICK)(SI)  
100-24396 (F. MUKES)(SI)  
100-31594 (D. MUKES)(SI)  
97-16 (PW)  
100-51729 (DOWNTOWN CLUB)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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Held in home of NAN BLAIR, 327 Laveta Terrace,  
Los Angeles, California (C)

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"Present were: (C)

"NAN BLAIR  
ARVILLA JACKSON  
CYRIL BRIGGS  
ELIZABETH HOLMES  
DOROTHY MAYR  
DELFINO VARELA

FRANK JORDAN  
[REDACTED]  
BEN ROTHMAN  
AL ALDEZMA  
EMILIE ALDEZMA

"First meeting in May - business meeting when dues collected -  
no educational. (C)

"Discussed ARVILLA JACKSON's case - test case to abolish  
loyalty oaths, which is being handled by the A.C.L.U. -  
attorneys A. L. WIRIN and SEYMOUR MANDEL. A contribution  
list has been mimeographed to raise funds for ARVILLA JACKSON.  
Trying to set up a broad committee. NAN BLAIR read an article  
on this case which appeared in the PEOPLE'S WORLD May 9, 1959,  
edition. ARVILLA JACKSON learned that she has not been black-  
listed; has put her application in for employment with all  
the department stores; is presently helping CHARLOTTA BASS,  
who is writing a book. The money raised from the subscription  
list will help ARVILLA JACKSON with her living expenses. Up  
to now she has been collecting money from individuals; some  
people have given her groceries. In private conversation,  
ARVILLA JACKSON stated that the A.C.L.U. will not charge her  
for the work they are doing in Los Angeles; however, if the  
case does go to the United States Supreme Court there will  
be costs. (C)

"Collected money for the PEOPLE'S WORLD fund drive. ARVILLA  
JACKSON stated that SADIE DOROSHKIN will get a home for the  
Zapata Section to hold a party on May 23, 1959, and is trying  
to get MIKE GOLD to speak at the affair. MIKE GOLD is living  
in Los Angeles because of his health. (C)

"CYRIL BRIGGS reported on the special Communist Party meeting  
held Sunday, May 3, 1959, and also on a recent meeting of the  
Negro Commission. (C)

"DELFINO VARELA raised a point under good and welfare about  
ARVILLA JACKSON spreading gossip to the effect that BEN DOBBS  
should be investigation along with the members of the Mexican-  
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American comrades who constitute the Mexican Caucus of the Communist Party. It so happens that something which had been discussed in the Mexican Caucus, with BEN DOBBS present, had been leaked, and therefore an investigation is being made to ascertain who is a 'stoolpigeon'. ARVILLA JACKSON did go to PETTUS PERRY and stated that an investigation should be made, which should include BEN DOBBS since he was at the meeting. But ARVILLA JACKSON did not drop the matter there. She discussed it with SOL MONROY, who in turn carried it to DELFINO VARELA. ARVILLA JACKSON was censured for having spoken to any one after she had asked PETTUS PERRY to make an investigation. What the 'leaked' information is, I do not know. (C)

"AL ALDEZMA was visited by the FBI at his shoe repair shop and EMILIE ALDEZMA, his wife, was visited in her home, both on the same day. They both mentioned the fact that both the FBI agents did not have their correct name, and appeared to be very confused and seemed not to know whether they (FBI) were talking to the people they were looking for. FRANK JORDAN also visited by FBI. (C)

"The club started to go into a discussion of the Downtown Club and whether it should continue, but due to lateness of the hour, this matter will be taken up at the next meeting; in fact, it will take the place of an educational. Lack of support and financial difficulties continue to make it almost impossible to continue functioning. The Unemployment Council, which is having classes at the Downtown Club once a week, is supposed to pay \$2.00 rent, but are in arrears. Attendance at the Downtown Forum on Sunday evenings has declined since all the publicity given in the commercial press at the time the House Committee on Un-American Activities exposed the Downtown Club as being left of center. (C)

"DELFINO VARELA is going into business for himself. (C)

"The Juarez Club acted on an application for admission into the Communist Party by [redacted] (not sure of spelling). [redacted] was in the Communist Party up until four years ago, when he was dropped (not expelled). [redacted] lives in [redacted] and [redacted] of the Boyle Heights Club, but [redacted] does not want to be in the same club as his wife. [redacted] are good friends of FAY and DICK MUKES. Ed.) The Juarez Club voted to accept [redacted] application for membership in the Communist Party. (C)

"DOROTHY MAYR spoke briefly about the Sobell Committee and distributed two collection books to raise funds for the June 27, 1959, dinner. (C)

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"Sale of literature. (c)

"Meeting adjourned 10:45 PM." (c)

ACTION:

Security Index card on DELFINO VARELA reflects him employed by International Institute, 435 South Boyle Avenue, Los Angeles, California. In view of the fact informant states he is going into business for himself, it is recommended his case be reopened to ascertain his place of employment. (c)

It is recommended that [redacted] file be opened for re-evaluation of SI status in view of his acceptance by the Juarez CP Club. (c)

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-51729) DATE: 5/15/59

FROM: SA MERLE L. PARKER

SUBJECT: [DOWNTOWN CLUB] (C)  
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CLASS. & EXT. BY 6383 VRT/KH  
REASON FCIM II, 1-2.4.2  
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| [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed. | Downtown Club meeting of 4/26/59<br>b6<br>b7C<br>b7D | 4/28/59  | writer | [redacted] (C) |

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This Downtown Club meeting was held at 1218 Temple Street, Los Angeles, and OTIS COAN, representative of the American Civil Liberties Union talked to those present on "Are Our Constitutional Rights In Jeopardy". He was critical of wire tapping, the manner in which Japanese were handled during the war, the Negro situation in the South, loyalty oaths, etc. (C)

Individuals present at this meeting include: (C)

NAN BLAIR  
ARVILLA JACKSON  
PAT WELCH  
THELLA BROCK  
[redacted] (phonetic)  
OTIS COAN  
FRANK JORDAN

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61-58 (O. COAN)  
100-29380 (N. BLAIR) (SI)  
100-44910 (A. JACKSON) (SI)  
100-56647 (P. WELCH) (SI)  
100-56510 (D. BROCK) (SI)  
100-56511 (T. BROCK) (SI)  
100-56494 (A. ALDEZMA) (SI)  
100-18811 [redacted]

100-33499 (T. SANDS) (SI)  
100-41954 (F. JORDAN) (SI) (C)

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FRANK GIBSON  
DAN BROCK  
[REDACTED]

(c)

On Sunday morning, April 26, there was a brunch at the Downtown Club, and individuals identified as being present included: (c)

ARVILLA JACKSON  
[REDACTED]

TILLIE SANDS  
AL ALDEZMA  
FRANK GIBSON  
FRANK JORDAN

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ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-3267)

DATE: 6/2/59

FROM : SA ROMNEY STEWART

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)  
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On 5/25/59 [redacted] furnished SA ROMNEY STEWART with b7D the following documents, as follows:

(1) [redacted] b7D

This is the ACLU publication "Civil Liberties" for May 1959, the main article bearing the heading "ACLU Scores Bar Association For Internal Security Report", in which it states that the American Bar Association was urged last month by the ACLU to reconsider its call for Congressional action to offset Supreme Court decisions of the past few years in the internal security and civil liberties fields.

(2) [redacted] b7D

This is a mimeographed letter dated 5/8/59, on the letterhead of the ACLU, Los Angeles, addressed "Dear Friend", urging support of Assembly Bill 1766 (California), which would repeal the Levering Act, which concerns loyalty oaths. This letter is signed by EASON MONROE, Executive Director, ACLU, Los Angeles, and encloses a mimeographed copy of "Testimony of ROBERT S. VOGEL, American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California Before Assembly Committee on Governmental Efficiency and Economy in Support of A.B. 1766", dated 5/5/59. Also enclosed was a copy of Assembly Bill Number 1766.

## ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

All other necessary action in connection with the above has been taken by the writer.

cc: [redacted]

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-44910) DATE: 5/26/59  
FROM : SA LEON J. MEYER  
SUBJECT: ARVILLA JACKSON  
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| [redacted]<br>who has<br>furnished<br>reliable<br>information<br>in the past,<br>and whose<br>identity<br>should be<br>concealed. | 5/11/59  | 5/20/59  | Writer | [redacted] |

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On 5/20/59 informant furnished a typewritten signed report set forth as follows: (C)

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| "Date    | May 11, 1959                           |
| Time     | 8 PM                                   |
| Place    | 5068 1/2 West 20th                     |
| Occasion | ARVILLA JACKSON vs Unemployment office |
| Auspices |                                        |

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"This case has been taken up by the American Civil Liberties Union., on the grounds that the employment has no right to decide or send a person to jobs that they cannot qualify, on (C)

cc: [redacted] b7D

100-56510 (D. BROCK)  
100-56511 (T. BROCK)  
100-31513 (T. NELSON)  
100-25392 (E. HENRICKSON)  
100-44910 (A. JACKSON)  
100-56509 (T. BRAZEE)  
100-56651 (J. WILLIAMS)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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a job that they will not take the loyalty oath, but will take other jobs and has worked on jobs that do not require this oath.' ARVILLA says I could have lied.' (C)

"The P. W. Gives an excellant account of this case. There is at this time no organization backing this case. (C)

"The committee is to help her subsist, get speaking engagements, etc. (C)

"DAN BROCK, THELA BROCK, [REDACTED] TOM NELSON, ELI HENDRICKSON, ARVILLA JACKSON, THELMA BRAZEE, JOHN WILLIAMS. (teamster Union) and a JERRY \_\_\_\_\_. (C)

"THELA is sec'y, and has the list of people, THELMA has the job of co-ordinating." (C)

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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3/2/92

Friend of the Court

The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) has again interjected itself into the police informant controversy, according to the account in the "Los Angeles Mirror News."

As a friend of the court, the ACLU reportedly filed a brief Friday before the State Supreme Court, charging that police reliance on anonymous informants imperils individual privacy vulnerable "to the whim of law enforcement officers and misdeeds." The brief supports the petition of [redacted] who is appealing an indictment for bookmaking upheld by the District Court of Appeal. He had been arrested [redacted] two weeks after police received information from an anonymous informant that bookmaking was being conducted at [redacted]

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The ACLU, according to the "Mirror News" article, takes the position that only a pressing emergency can justify arrest and search "based solely on information supplied by an anonymous source."

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763)

DATE: 5/26/59

FROM : SA ROBERT H. CLAUDIUS

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT  
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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| [redacted] | 4/16/59 | 5/7/59 | [redacted] | [redacted] |
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The report of the above informant, a carbon copy of a report of one of the operators of [redacted] known to this office as [redacted] is substantially as follows. This informant is not personally contacted by agent personnel; therefore, problems of identity must be resolved through [redacted] (C)

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On 4/16/59, a meeting of [redacted] Comrades, SCD CP, was held at [redacted] Los Angeles. The purpose of this meeting was to evaluate the Mexican action report which was given at the meeting of the Executive Board, SCD CP, by Comrade [redacted]

cc: [redacted]

[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
[redacted] (SI)  
100-56495 (A. ALDEZMA) (SI)  
100-44890 (A. RIOS)  
100-26046 [redacted] (SI)  
100-31897 [redacted] (SI)  
100-56581 [redacted] (SI)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-32847 (CSO)

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Read by: RHC

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"Before the meeting commenced there was some discussion of the activity which is now taking place in the Mexican Community which I will relate at this time. Discussion centered mainly around an article which appeared in the newspaper 'Avance', Vol. 1, No. 9, issue of April 12, 1959, which deals with community organizations to federate. (C)

[redacted] reported on this saying that there were several meetings held, actually four meetings held, discussing the possibility of getting the Mexican Community, or organizations which exist in the Mexican Community, to federate into one which would coordinate their activities yet give them over-all autonomy in the mass organizations. Several meetings were held at the Biltmore Hotel. [redacted] felt that this was the result of the work which he had done within the organizations and in the community - to federate these organizations, and which would then give someone like him who would naturally be on the board, a great advantage of being able to direct these organizations in the trend of thinking of the Communist Party. (C) b7D

"This federation which is reported in this issue of 'Avance' came as quite a surprise to [redacted] and AL ALDEZMA. AL ALDEZMA said that he had technically heard about it somewhere, and that MAX GARCIA, President of the Community Service Organization, was in the process of being called on the carpet for attending these meetings regarding the federation of Mexican organizations, and for attending the caucus meetings which would federate the Community Service Organization, because TONY RIOS was against the federation of the Community Service Organization into any other organization. Also, [redacted] expressed very clearly to [redacted] that he wants to be kept informed of these things when they take place and not wait for him to read it in the paper. (C) b7D

[redacted] then reported that his ability to operate in the community had recently been stymied by the fact that Judge CARLOS TERAN had obtained a list of names of Mexicans in the Community who were on the FBI's subversive list from the FBI. The reason, as you recall from my previous report, that Judge CARLOS TERAN had obtained this list was that he had intended to appear before the Committee on Un-American Activities and express to them that [redacted] was doing good work in the community and that he had been smeared, but as a result of [redacted] name being on this list Judge CARLOS TERAN was very surprised and I believe that now he will not request an appearance before the Committee on Un-American Activities. (C) b7D

[redacted] said that the possibility of him losing his job since his name was published in the paper as one of the key communists in the Los Angeles area, is a real possibility because he has spoken to his Supervisor and she said that now she is not covering up for him as she formerly did. She stated that when you (C)

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"are called by a hearing it is much easier to cover up than it is when it is actually published as being a Communist. (C)

"AL ALDEZMA reported that he was now vice president of the Community Service Organization and felt that in this position he could do a lot to help the Communist Party within the CSO. He reported that MAX GARCIA's standing as president of the Community Service Organization was not too strong. (C)

"The meeting was then called to order by [redacted] and the report which had been given by [redacted] before the Executive Board, So. California District, Communist Party, was then quickly repeated and the one copy of the report which existed was given to [redacted] to type exactly fifteen copies to be distributed among key Mexican members. These copies will be numbered. (C)

"It was then MSC that on Friday, May 8, 1959, at the City Terrace Cultural Center, every Mexican or person of Mexican descent who belongs to the Communist Party in the So. California District, be told to attend a meeting there for the purpose of hearing this report and the possibility of enlarging it. The main purpose of this meeting of May 8th at the City Terrace Cultural Center would be to give each Mexican Comrade an assignment in a mass organization. Secondly, to nominate a chairman to represent the Mexican Comrades on the District Executive Board at this time. Also, to set up a program of education and reports to the union and minority commissions of the So. California District, Communist Party. (C)

[redacted] then stated that in the May 1st issue of the Communist bulletin 'Party Affairs', there would be a short outline around the Mexican work which was being done. He stated that he would take this report which has been developed by this grouping and condense it into a short 2-page report which would appear in the Bulletin. [redacted] stated that the main reason that he did not want to publish the full report was because of the possibility that the Committee on Un-American Activities would intercept it and taking from the report the plan of action for the Mexican-American community. He said that the way he wanted to write the report was to interpret it so that when the Committee on Un-American Activities gets hold of both they cannot develop a definite outline for a plan of action in the Mexican Community. [redacted] stated that the report would be written in generalities. (C)

"At about this point in the meeting [redacted] arrived. She explained that she had been to a steering committee meeting of her Committee for [redacted] and that this committee was going very well. (C)

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"The meeting then adjourned in the formal sense. Then there was a general discussion. [ ] asked [ ] to reactivate the American Civil Liberties Union Eastside Committee immediately for the purpose of starting a mass advertising campaign on the basis of answering the recently published list of Communist Party members in the newspapers. This will be done mainly by publishing the TRUMAN statement which was made out at UCLA that the Un-American Committee is the most 'un-American thing' existing in America today. [ ] immediately took these instructions and stated that she would commence to activate this committee at once. (C)

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"The meeting then terminated. People were then given names to contact. For example, [ ] were to be contacted by [ ] would contact three or four other Mexican people whom he knew, the main one being [ ] Long Beach 5, California, who had attended several meetings of this Mexican grouping, for the purpose of getting him to attend the May 8th, 1959, meeting. (C)

[ ] then announced that he would be gone to New York where he would attend the National Executive Committee meeting of the Communist Party, starting Tuesday, April 21, 1959. He would be gone for a one-week period." (C)

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Index: Judge CARLOS TERAN (C)

MAX GARCIA, President (CSO). (C)

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-57998)  
FROM : SA JOHN S. TEMPLE  
SUBJECT: ASSOCIATION FOR THE RIGHTS OF MAN  
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DATE: 5/29/59

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| [redacted]<br>who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be concealed | Assoc. for the Rights of Man Bulletin, 5/24/59 | 5/21/59<br><br>b7D | Writer | [redacted] |
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Informant on 5/21/59, made available a bulletin which was issued by the Association for the Rights of Man, 14742 Archwood, Van Nuys, California. The bulletin announced that a panel discussion would be held on 5/24/59, at 8:30 P.M. at the Jewish War Veterans Hall, 11929 Ventura Boulevard, North Hollywood, California. The panel discussion would feature the following speakers: GORDON GIBLIN of the ILWU; WILLIAM B. MURRISH, Attorney-at-Law; and JOHN WEXLEY, a writer. The moderators would be: HUGH MANES of the ACLU and DELMORE HUSERIK of the American Friends Committee on Legislation. The bulletin noted that GORDON GIBLIN would discuss the HARRY BRIDGES case, WILLIAM B. MURRISH would present the POWELL-SCHUMAN case and JOHN WEXLEY would discuss the MORTON SOBELL case. It is recommended that the bulletin be reviewed for additional information concerning this meeting.

ACTION: All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

cc: [redacted] b7D

Read by: JST

100-43378 (G. GIBLIN)  
100-33412 [redacted]  
100-20279 (J. WEXLEY)  
100-55602 (H. MANES)  
100-55518 (D. HUSERIK)  
100-3267 (ACLU)  
100-47309 (AFCL)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41016)

DATE: 5/26/59

FROM : SA JOHN S. TEMPLE

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE  
AMERICAN FREEDOMS (CCPAF)  
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| [redacted] b7D<br>who has fur-<br>nished reli-<br>able info in<br>the past and<br>whose identity<br>should be<br>concealed | FRANK WILKINSON<br>letter to CCPAF<br>Los Angeles<br>(dated 5/5/59) | 5/13/59 | Writer | [redacted] b7D |
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The foregoing is from a live source whose identity must be protected. (C)

The informant on 5/13/59, furnished a copy of a letter which had been written by FRANK WILKINSON (Executive Secretary, Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms, 617 North Larchmont Boulevard, Los Angeles) to CCPAF headquarters. The letter was written by WILKINSON in Chicago and was believed to have been written on 5/5/59. (C)

cc: 6 - Chicago (REGISTERED)  
(UPWA)  
(NEGRO VOTERS LEAGUE)  
(CHICAGO COM. TO DEFEND  
DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS)  
(KATSEN)  
(DICK CRILEY)  
(JOHN LAPP)

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100-16439 (F. WILKINSON)  
100-42713 (E. MONROE)  
100-43681 (D. MARSHALL)  
62-1664 (HCUA)  
100-3267 (ACLU)

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Read by: [redacted]

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"Tuesday night-just after 1st  
day of hearings (C)

"Dear dear friends: (C)

"This will be hurried, but better I'm sure than not  
finding time to communicate at all. (C)

"Considering everything that we've had to put up here  
within AFL-CIO sabotage of the whole resistance effort, we did  
great. (C)

"HELSTEIN, on orders of fears from MEANY, REUTHER,  
or whomever, tried his best to kill the resistance movement  
that grew out of our work here last Tuesday, Wednesday, &  
Thursday. But they did not succeed - except for the weak  
testimony today of their own UPWA employees. Despite HELSTEIN's  
orders, not to demonstrate, not to picket, not to attend -  
we accomplished the following: (C)

"1) Over 1000 Negroes turned out at a Packinghouse rank and file  
(Negro Voters League Rally) last night devoted to the couple  
protest: a) the lynching in Mississippi; b) the HCUA hearings.  
I've never seen such an audience and such genuine resistance from  
ordinary working people; we've never had anything like this in LA.  
Speaker after speaker condemned the HCUA in language so sensitive  
to the racial issues facing the Negro and American people, that  
I felt like crawling on my knees before them, just to learn a  
little about what this fight is all about. I may have helped  
start this resistance, but once the fight was started, I never  
caught up with it. Then, toward the end of the meeting when the  
word was dramatically brought in by the Negro lawyer for PARKER  
in Mississippi, who flew in directly to the meeting - just a few  
hours away from what is going on down there - I have never known  
such emotion. It was as though every Negro there had been  
personally lynched. They all knew that PARKER was dead, but  
when the actual news of finding his body yesterday was announced,  
it was just awful to see and feel the pain of it all. The  
collection last night was for 2 things: a) literature for the  
HCUA pickets in front of the Federal Bldg.; and b) funds to  
bury PARKER - a direct request by the lawyer from PARKER's mother. (C)

"2) We had 60 or more pickets in front of the Federal Bldg.  
this morning, mostly Negro, but at least 10 of us whites. It  
was a wonderful demonstration. The first picket line we've been  
able to throw against the HCUA since Newark in 1954. You just  
can't imagine how hard it was to swing, because HELSTEIN was  
threatening anybody's Packinghouse job for doing it; and of  
course the FBI photographs were everywhere. It was done and it  
was good and it helped to change the whole character of these  
hearings. It made up entirely for the awful weak position of the  
UPWA staff members on the stand today. (C)

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"3) The hearingroom was filled - and friendly. Again, despite union orders to the contrary. We also were able to get a radio station to record for future sympathetic release. (C)

"4) The best of all that happened in this hearing was the resistance presented today by the Chairman and Director of this Chicago Committee to Defend Democratic Rights. The Chairman, KATSEN, made a beautiful Fifth sound more like a fighting First than I've heard in a long time. And DICK CRILEY, the Director, took the first perfect 'due Process' Fifth (WATKINS) since the WATKINS decision itself. It was great and it got through to the press and the audience. It was one wonderful bit of testimony. The Committee, by the way, was furious to find me here. Nothing was said of it in tonight's papers but ARENS and MOULDER practically stopped the hearing to tell the press (privately) that I was a very dangerous man. I agree! I only hope that I'll learn to become a little bit more dangerous from their point of view. (C)

"I've got an agreement with Dr. JOHN LAPP to write new literature tonight for him to sponsor for signatures on the longer range fight for Abolition. We'll see - it looks O.K. (C)

"Tell EASON MONROE that the ACLU is ready to work on a 1 to 2 year Abolition Campaign, but is not prepared to do anything about the pending anti-Supreme Court Decisions bills. (C)

"DOROTHY MARSHALL: Thanks for the letter. I think we should definitely send UE (RUSS NIXON) the 1000 copies of the TRUMAN piece even if we have to later order more. Charge him 2¢ each plus postage and mail it right away. Just have BETTY keep track of where the mailings leave off so that we can order and mail more later if necessary. The main thing is that the East, and UE in particular, need this literature and can use it. I'm speaking tomorrow night in South Bend and later in Gary on the Supreme Court attack. Enough for now. Affections - (C)

"/s/ FRANK WILKINSON." (C)

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding this report and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55448)

DATE: 5/27/59  
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FROM : SA JOHN P. ANDREWS

SUBJECT: ZAPATA SECTION (C)  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,  
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP), USA  
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Informant furnished the following written report dated 5/14/59, concerning a CP meeting of the Juarez Club, Zapata Section, SCDCP, which was held on 5/7/59 at 327 Laveta Terrace, Los Angeles, California: (C)

"On Thursday May 7th I attended a Communist Party meeting of the Juarez Club (Zapata Section) at 327 Laveta Terrace Los Angeles, Calif. (C)

"The following persons were present NAN BLAIR, ARVILLA JACKSON, DOROTHY MEYR, EMILY ALDEZMA, AURELIO ALDEZMA (C)

cc: [redacted]

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100-29380 (N. BLAIR)(SI)  
100-44910 (A. JACKSON)(SI)  
100-29693 (D. MAYR)(SI)  
100-56495 (E. ALDEZMA)(SI)  
100-56494 (A. ALDEZMA)(SI)  
100-26928 (B. ROTHMAN)(SI)  
100-20559 [redacted](SI)  
100-33476 (C. BRIGGS)(SI)  
100-33054 (D. VARELA)(SI)  
100-41954 (F. JORDAN)(SI)  
100-41301 (E. HOLMES)(SI)  
100-4959 (H. ALEXANDER)(SI)

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100-56620 [redacted](SI)  
100-3108 (E. FREED)(SI)  
100-25392 (E. HENRICKSON)(SI)  
100-5659 (S. MONROY)(SI)  
100-31712 [redacted]  
100-41016 (CCPAF)  
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100-51729 (DOWNTOWN CLUB)  
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BEN ROTHMAN, [REDACTED] CYRIL BRIGGS, DELFINO VARELA and FRANK JORDAN, also ELIZABETH HOLMES. (C)

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"Dues were collected by the Secretary Treasurer from the members of the Juarez Club. DELFINO VARELA and NAN BLAIR paid their dues and sustainer with a check. Also Peoples World P.W. pledges were collected from EMILY, NAN, [REDACTED] (C)

"A report was given on the Negro Commission by CYRIL BRIGGS acting chairman for the club and the report was based on reports and speeches made by JAMES E. JACKSON on his visit to Soviet Russia. BRIGGS also reported on a So. Calif. District Council Conference part of the discussion that took place was HERSHEL ALEXANDER's children being expelled from school. ALEXANDER was criticized because of the manner in which he handled the situation. BRIGGS said time ran short and he could not really challenge the discussion further. (C)

"BRIGGS presented a petition on membership to recruit a [REDACTED] to (Zapata Section) this man is from [REDACTED] area and he had been expelled because of his excessive drinking. DOROTHY and NAN spoke on his favor saying this man was a good person very nice man and felt that because of his habit membership in the party should not be denied a motion was passed to recruit him through channels. AURELIO ALDEZMA brought out another comrade who has not made contact to be picked up through a transfer that was put through a long time ago. ALDEZMA stressed the fact that [REDACTED] was unable to meet on Thursdays being that Zapata Section Clubs meet on Thursdays it was decided that [REDACTED] should transfer to [REDACTED] (C)

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"ARVILLA reported on her case she said her lawyers had told her she had a good case and a good chance of winning the appeal. She also spoke on the possibilities of forming a committee to work on her case to raise funds, she said she spoke to EMIL FREED if he could come to the Downtown Club to help or speak on the case she said FREED had said he didn't think he wanted to exposed himself to the downtown club but that how-ever perhaps a much broader committee could be formed. ARVILLA said they could get the Committee to Preserve American Freedom to help or organize through the American Civil Liberties Union (A.C.L.U.) that they might be willing to help ARVILLA said ELLIE HENRICKSON had volunteered to help on the committee. (C)

"DELFINO VARELA spoke on rumors that have been circulating that she ARVILLA was accusing BEN DOBBS of being a stool pigeon in the party and that she was having him investigated. (C)

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VARELA felt this type of action was wrong and that this type of investigation should be handled through the District and should be left at that and that when something else like this came up again it should be handled through the right channels and everyone keep their mouth shut. VARELA said the committee expected this type of red baiting among the comrades. The Committee on Un-American Activities expected this, and that certainly if we are going to distrust each other at every meeting it will not serve the purpose. ARVILLA defended herself by saying that she had only spoken to one person and that person was SOL MONROY. Before the meeting VARELA had spoken to ALDEZMA on this matter and ALDEZMA said he had told ARVILLA to let the District handle the investigation. (C)

"The matter of the Downtown Club was reported by NAN BLAIR briefly. NAN explained that the Club was struggling to keep it going and felt that a discussion was in order to determine the final decision on it, because of the lateness in time it was tabled for the next meeting to be used as an Educational first thing on the agenda, everyone being agreeable to this. Literature was passed for sale by NAN." (C)

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

In view of the above-mentioned submission of a petition to recruit [redacted] into the CP, it is recommended that the file on [redacted] also known as [redacted] (Los Angeles file 100-31712, Bufile 100-366263) be reopened for consideration for placement on the Security Index. (C)

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